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Reuter learns there is no question of the British Government leaving London. On the contrary, the Government intends to remain in London.

At the same time, the view has been expressed from the beginning by the Ministry of Home Security that the more people who can leave London without interfering with their business the better, and the policy of encouraging people to leave London if they have places to go, remains unchanged.

There is no question of any compulsory evacuation at present. — Reuter.

PARLIAMENT'S LIFE TO BE PROLONGED

A BILL EXTENDING THE PRESENT LIFE OF PARLIAMENT WAS INTRODUCED BY THE PRIME MINISTER YESTERDAY AND GIVEN ITS FIRST READING.

The present Parliament is five years old and its term of office should end next month.

It is, however, open to Parliament to prolong its life at any time of national emergency. This was done in the last war and will be done again this time. — Reuter.

ANOTHER RAID ON CHUNGKING

Eighteen Japanese planes made another attack on Chungking yesterday.

Heavier damage was done than on Wednesday. Nine wooden boats in the river and scores of houses were destroyed. A fire was started but was quickly put under control.

In yesterday's raid the Catholic Church was demolished. Only in the morning Monsignor Mario Zanin, Apostolic Delegate to China, had led prayer in the church. — Central News.

FOUR AUXILIARY CRAFT LOST

The Admiralty announce that four auxiliary craft have recently been sunk by enemy action. They are the trawlers "Resolve," "Latre," and "Warwick Deeping" and the drifter "Summer Rose." — Reuter.

LONDON SCHOOL CHILDREN: HALF MILLION LEAVE

Nearly half a million school-children—489,000—or about 56 per cent of the whole school-children of the London evacuation area, have left the capital. This was revealed by Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, Minister of Health, in a statement in the Commons yesterday. — Reuter.

REFUGEE SCRAMBLE AT LISBON

The refugee trek to South and North America has reached such proportions that all passages by sea and air for the remainder of the year are booked, it was stated in Lisbon yesterday.

Hotels and boarding houses in Lisbon are filled with Frenchmen, Poles, Dutchmen, Belgians, Czechs and Luxemburgers hoping to proceed to the Americas this year or next.

Each day the consulates are besieged. Visas are being granted only after careful investigation of the credentials of each individual.

Owing to extra work of this nature the United States consulate has been enlarged and additional employees engaged. — Reuter.

Washington Talks

Mr. Cordell Hull, Mr. Sumner Welles and Mr. Norman Davis, of the Red Cross, yesterday conferred with President Roosevelt in Washington on the foreign refugee situation.

No announcement is immediately forthcoming. — Reuter.

DAYLIGHT RAID ON BREST

A daylight attack was made yesterday on the power station of the German occupied naval base at Brest by Coastal Command aircraft, states an Air Ministry communique.

A number of bombs were dropped and extensive damage caused. — Reuter.

Hits On Nazi Warships

FOR THE SECOND NIGHT IN SUCCESSION THE NAVAL DOCKYARDS AT KIEL WERE AMONG THE PRINCIPAL TARGETS ATTACKED ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT BY R.A.F. BOMBERS.

Once again the raiders pressed home the attack in the face of fierce opposition from batteries of heavy and light guns, states the Air Ministry news service.

The bombardment lasted over two hours and many high explosives and incendiary bombs were seen to burst among buildings in the Deutsche Werft and the Germania yards.

One of the pilots said he came out over the top of what appeared to be a warship and dropped a stick of bombs which must have straddled the ship.

Drifting cloud made observation of results extremely difficult but other pilots believed their bombs hit the same ship.

In another attack on a different part of the dockyards, bombs fell astern of another warship and two fires at once broke out.

At the same times as these raids other targets elsewhere in Germany were attacked.

Leuna Again Raided

At Leuna a large synthetic oil plant was again subjected to prolonged bombardment. With the first bombs dropped a large fire started.

At regular intervals heavy calibre bombs were dropped with precision on this important objective and further fires were seen to break out followed by numerous explosions. The last pilot to attack the plant saw his bombs burst near a line of chimneys and a few minutes later there was a giant explosion. — Reuter.

THE BIG SWEEP

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NOTHING TO REPORT IN EGYPT

"There is nothing of importance to report in Egypt," states the communique issued from British GHQ in Cairo last night.

The communique adds: In the Sudan and Kenya, our offensive patrols continue to be active. — Reuter.

D.E.I.'S FINE GIFT TO R.A.F.

Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands, on behalf of the inhabitants of the Dutch East Indies, yesterday gave Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production, a cheque to purchase 40 Spitfires and 18 bombers for the R.A.F.

Acknowledging the gift in a letter to Prince Bernhard, Lord Beaverbrook says: "Together our two nations will endure, and together they will rejoice in victory over mean and brutal tyranny, and that victory is brought nearer by the powerful fighters which you enable us to dispatch to our squadrons."

"In doing so we will faithfully carry out the wish you express for naming the machines, which will go into battle bearing proudly the names of Netherlands possessions." — Reuter.

LORD LOTHIAN REACHES LONDON

Lord Lothian, British Ambassador to the United States, arrived in London yesterday after crossing the Atlantic on the American Clipper.

He declined to make any statement to the press, saying he was going to confer with the British Government. — Reuter.

FURTHER LOANS TO CHINA?

The question of new loans to China was under discussion during conferences held in Washington yesterday by Mr. T. V. Soong, former Chinese Finance Minister now in Washington on a special mission, and American officials.

The press was informed after the conferences that repayments of such loans could probably be made from tung oil, tungsten and other commodities. No further details are yet available. — Reuter.

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DIFFIDENCE IN AXIS MOVES

Remote Bearing On Egypt Campaign

JAPANESE CLAIM

THREE JAPANESE COLUMNS, ADVANCING FROM DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS, ESTABLISHED CONTACT EARLY ON WEDNESDAY MORNING, COMPLETING THE ENCIRCLEMENT OF 20 CHUNGKING AND COMMUNIST DIVISIONS, STATES A DOMEI AGENCY MESSAGE FROM "SOMEWHERE IN CHINA."

The message adds this was the culmination of an intensive five-day drive launched along a front of nearly 200 miles straddling the Anhwei-Chekiang border south of the Yangtse River.

Up to Wednesday evening, the Japanese claim, the Chungking troops had abandoned 5,000 dead. — Reuter.

SURPRISING!

If the weather permits to-day, Japanese aeroplanes will bomb the Chinese side of the Burma Road, said the Japanese naval spokesman at Hanoi yesterday. — Reuter.

WHATEVER THE MEANING OF THE NEW AXIS MOVEMENTS IN THE BALKANS THEY ARGUE AN INTERESTING DIFFIDENCE IN PROCEEDING WITH THE PROBLEM AS IT IS.

The movements appear to have no immediate, though they have a remote bearing, upon the campaign in Egypt.

These conclusions are reached by the well-known expert "Strategicus" in this week's "Spectator."

The writer finds it significantly strange that caution should still loom so large in the Axis approach to the Egyptian campaign, seeing the opportunities Italy has had to mature her plans without molestation during the period of her non-belligerency and especially considering Italy's caution in timing her entry into the war for the moment when France was clearly out of it.

Superficially, "Strategicus" considers, the German movements in Rumania suggest a pincers attack upon Egypt, a combination of a descent from the north by Germany and the development of a thrust from Libya.

In its more picturesque form it would imply a double envelopment of the Empire via Palestine

and Egypt, but cold commonsense does not appear to sanction such interpretations.

Italy Troubles

It seems improbable that Germany is prepared for a military campaign in the East and unless Turkey shows complacency, of which she has given no indication, that would have to be undertaken.

What is troubling Italy is that the delay has strengthened the opposition instead of weakening it.

Germany's role may be limited to bringing pressure upon Greece via Bulgaria while Italy descends upon her from the north-west, but it seems improbable at the moment that either Germany or Italy wishes to be saddled with a campaign in this quarter of Europe.

Valuable Pawns

It would be extremely foolish to underrate the threatening nature of the Italian campaign against Egypt and to minimise the skill with which the Italian commander has seized valuable pawns in the Sudan and Kenya, and there is one respect in which the new German movements may have a slight adverse effect upon the British defence.

As diversion it may be hoped they will detain forces away from the Egyptian theatre. On the other hand the movements may have no more than nuisance value though they have to be allowed for.

"The Egyptian campaign must be further simplified before it looks like a sound proposition." — Reuter.

PAPA PETAIN DECEIVES HIMSELF

THE ROME NEWSPAPER "POPOLO D'ITALIA," COMMENTING YESTERDAY ON MARSHAL PETAIN'S RECENT MESSAGE TO THE FRENCH PEOPLE, DECLARES THAT THE VICHY GOVERNMENT SEEMS, IN EFFECT, TO SAY THAT FRANCE WOULD BE WILLING TO TRANSFORM HERSELF BUT THE AXIS IN ITS PEACE CONDITIONS WOULD HAVE TO REDUCE ITS CLAIMS.

Declaring that certain neutral newspapers have given this interpretation to Marshal Petain's message, "Popolo d'Italia" says the following points must be made clear:

First, the war was not started and won to give France a totalitarian regime.

Second, the Vichy Government is making a big mistake if, in the "revolution from above," it is trying to save what France has lost.

Third, when France has paid all that she will have to pay she will be free to choose the regime she prefers. — Reuter.

TRANSPORT FOR EVACUATION OF AMERICANS

It is reported in Shanghai that the United States transport Chaumont is expected to arrive there some time before the end of October to take part in the evacuation of American nationals.

It is understood that the vessel is already on her way to Shanghai and will, according to the reports, be the first evacuation ship calling at Shanghai. — Reuter.

NORTH STATION INCIDENT

According to Japanese reports in Shanghai last night, an attempt to assassinate Liang Hung-chih, Chairman of the former "Nanking Reformed Government," was made on Wednesday morning at the North Station.

Two hand-grenades, it is said, were discovered by the police at the station a few hours before Liang boarded a train for Nanking. No arrests have been made. — Our Own Correspondent.

LEWIS GUN TEST FOR TRAINEES

The Military Authorities state that all members of the Training Company and those members of the Training Cadre who have passed their test of Elementary Training in Lewis Gun will parade at Kowloon Tong A Range at 2.15 p.m. on Saturday, for the purpose of firing the gun.

SIGNIFICANT VISIT OF MR. EDEN TO EGYPT

(By Reuter's Military Correspondent)

MR. ANTHONY EDEN, the Secretary of State for War, is now in Egypt to confer with General Sir Archibald Wavell, Commander-in-Chief in the Middle East.

The significance of this visit at such a time is clear — Mr. Eden's business is to help General Wavell to the utmost of his power with men, munitions and equipment and discuss with him questions regarding higher policy of the campaign.

At any moment the Nazi legions in the Balkans may march. Indeed, if they do not do so soon, the opportunity may well be lost when the dry autumn weather which now reigns changes into wet and roads become muddy and incapable of supporting mechanised corps.

If they do march it will be in conjunction with the Italian forces in North Africa and the battle will at once become one of large dimensions.

At such a time it is well that Mr. Eden is on the spot to see for himself and hear from others the exact military situation.

Military Axiom

That Mr. Eden will have an opportunity of discussing with Admiral Sir Andrew Cunningham, Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, is a sine qua non.

"Time spent in reconnaissance is never wasted," is a military axiom. Mr. Eden has not forgotten and his advice will be particularly valuable when he returns to the Cabinet in London. — Reuter.

MADRID'S STRANGE BEHAVIOUR

The Swiss Legation in Madrid has been instructed to inquire into the Spanish Government's reasons for prohibiting the entry into Spain of Swiss citizens between the ages of 18 and 40 travelling to Anglo-Saxon countries, especially Canada, stated the "Baster Nachrichten" yesterday.

The newspaper states that the ban, which was introduced for Swiss subjects on Tuesday had already existed for Britons, Poles, Czechs and other nationals of German occupied countries of military age. — Reuter.

POOR ATTEMPT TO INSULT NAVY

THE GERMANS HAVE NOW COME FORTH WITH THEIR VERSION OF THE SHELLING OF DUNKIRK ON TUESDAY NIGHT.

They claim that the British started firing before they came within range and withdrew without doing any military damage!

(It is worth recalling in this connection that the British Admiralty has announced that Dunkirk was very heavily shelled and the attack was as successful as that a week ago on Cherbourg). — Reuter.

HIMMLER DUE IN MADRID

Herr Himmler, chief of the Nazi Secret Police, is expected to arrive in Madrid on Sunday. — Reuter.



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FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MANY MONTHS, THE LONDON PRESS WAS YESTERDAY PERMITTED TO PUBLISH A PHOTOGRAPH OF ONE OF THE NEW WARSHIPS FOR THE ROYAL NAVY COMING OFF THE STOCKS.

The vessel is a cruiser. Air raids delayed work on the ship for only four hours during the entire period of construction. — Reuter.

WEST INDIA'S FIRST SPITFIRE

THE WESTERN STATES WAR PLANES FUND, WHICH NOW TOTALS £4,500, HAS PRESENTED ITS FIRST "SPITFIRE" TO HIS MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT. The plane will be known as "Western India State." — Reuter.

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CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL HAD A NARROW ESCAPE IN AN AIR RAID YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, WHEN A FORMATION OF MESSERSCHMIDT FIGHTER-BOMBERS, DIVING OUT OF THE CLOUDS, DROPPED 20 HIGH EXPLOSIVE AND INCENDIARY BOMBS IN THE TOWN, THREE OF WHICH FELL IN THE PRECINCTS OF THE CATHEDRAL.

The Ministry of Home Security announces that some damage was done to the Deanery and in the precincts but the Cathedral itself, where panes of glass were damaged in a raid last week, suffered no harm.

One bomb landed in the front garden of the Deanery but Dean Hewlett Johnson and members of his staff who were sheltering in the vaulted passages escaped injury.

About a dozen private houses were wrecked but most of the bombs fell in open spaces and only one man, a member of the Home Guard, was killed.

Fighter-Bombers

The Air Ministry communique issued last night says that the German attacks during the day were confined mainly to South-East England and, in accordance with the new tactics, were mainly

carried out by fighters flying at a great height.

"With complete regularity, each formation was set upon by large forces of British fighters and their formations were scattered.

Few planes succeeded in reaching London and apparently few bombs were dropped.

Three Shot Down

Three enemy aircraft were destroyed yesterday, it is announced officially in London.

One British fighter is missing. It is now confirmed that four enemy bombers were destroyed on Wednesday night.—Reuter.

JAPAN'S ATTITUDE DOES NOT PLEASE LITTLE BISMARCK

RIBBENTROP, THE NAZI Foreign Minister, is angered by Japan's attitude which caused his calculations in the East sadly to misfire, according to Dutch sources in London quoted yesterday by "Frie Nederland," semi-official organ of the Dutch Government.

The newspaper declares its information is based on special information and not mere supposition. It asserts Ribbentrop is dismayed because the situation in the East Indies has not worsened recently.

Ribbentrop has been striving to whip up Japanese feeling against the Dutch by disseminating the assertion that Holland under British influence would be forced to lease naval bases in the Dutch Indies to America.

Necessity for such a thing, however, does not arise as the Dutch Indies are not being attacked or seriously threatened. In certain military circles in Tokyo, enthusiasm may be aroused by Nazi press statements that Japan desires to attack the East Indies but does not do so with the Japanese Government.

Cables Withhold

"We have proof that telegrams from authoritative sources in Tokyo reflecting the Japanese Government's policy are withheld by the Nazi press.

"Japan's attitude of restraint is not to Berlin's taste. Moreover the Washington reaction to Rib-

bentrop's Berlin - Rome - Tokyo move has strengthened the hands of the more responsible Japanese statesmen."—Reuter.

BRITISH MISSION

BY AGREEMENT WITH THE SOUTH AMERICAN STATES, BRITAIN IS SENDING A SPECIAL MISSION TO SOUTH AMERICA TO EXPLAIN BRITAIN'S ECONOMIC POLICY IN THE WAR AND PROMOTE EXPORT TRADE.

The mission will not negotiate any commercial agreements.

It will be headed by Lord Willington, former Governor-General of Canada and Viceroy of India.—Reuter.

THE ANSWER COMES PAT

Last night's Air Ministry communique makes a laconic comment on the German High Command communique admitting the loss of only two aircraft on Wednesday night.

"The four German aircraft destroyed last night can be seen near Harwich, Bishop's Stortford, Denbeigh and Frome" remarks the Air Ministry.—Reuter.

POWER PROJECTS FOR DEFENCE

President Roosevelt informed Congress yesterday that he has allocated \$1,000,000 for preliminary surveys on the development of additional power for defence purposes at the International Rapids section of the St. Lawrence River.

The President has also created a St. Lawrence advisory committee to advise him in planning the appropriate agencies of the Canadian Government.—Reuter.

BLOWING BRITAIN'S TRUMPETS

When, to the blare of trumpets, the German troops marched into Paris, the chances are ten to one that the trumpets themselves were made in Britain. Britain rules that particular world market. They are being exported in ever increasing numbers to the United States, South Africa and to all the Dominions and Colonies.

"The export trade in British trumpets, cornets, trombones and band instruments in general is showing a tremendous increase," states Mr. C. E. Timms, Secretary of the Association of Musical Instrument Makers of Britain. "The English concertina, like the trumpet, is to be found in every country in the world. Music strings come into the same category. The best guitars in South America have British strings."

The trumpets of England and the English concertina have today the same prestige as the Rolls-Royce engine has in the motor world. Even in the home of the dance band, the United States, trumpet, cornet and trombone players prefer a British instrument.

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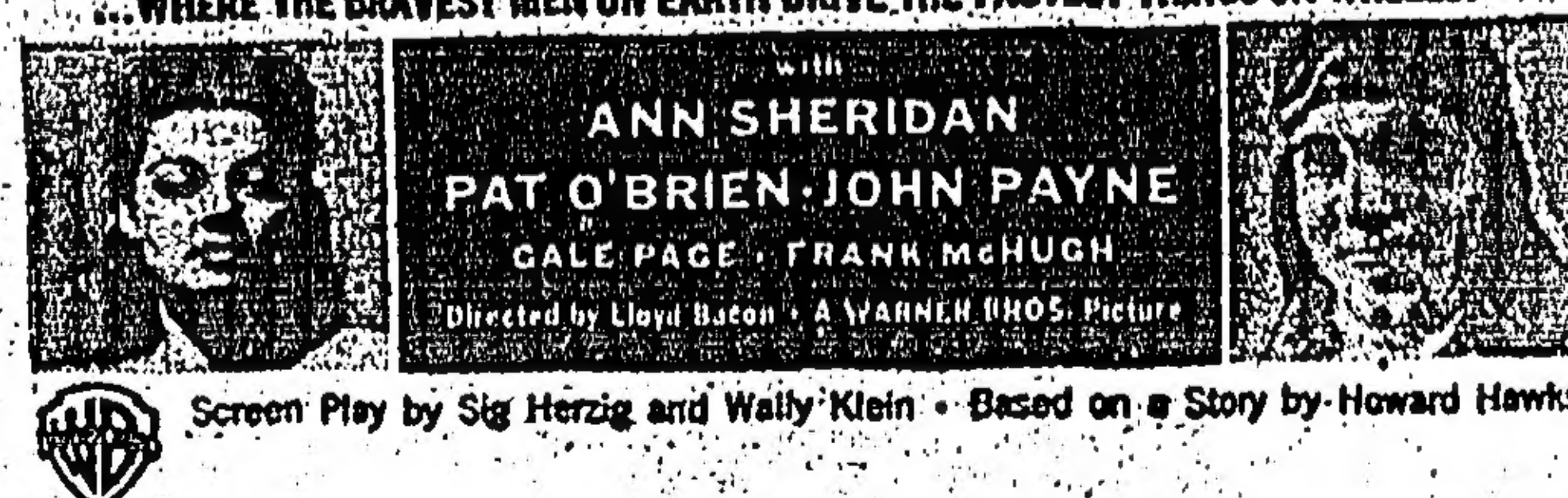


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virtually skim the waves
at 50 miles an hour, or
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Their small size makes them
a target almost impossible to hit,
especially at high speed.

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parison, motoring is like riding in
a bath chair.

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the water as a Spitfire does in
the air.

"Inside the tiny hull, giant en-
gines, producing thousands of
horse-power, thundered like half a
dozen express trains.

"Earsplitting"

"The gunners fired ear-splitting
rounds at an imaginary aeroplane
overhead and the captain rapped
out orders which transformed the
operations into a torpedo attack
behind a smoke screen."—Reuter.

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have been adopted in cooperation
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Police, in addition to those already
in force.

The master of the ship will be
required to sign, before witnesses,
a certificate of inspection and se-
curity of his vessel before being
allowed to proceed through any
part of the canal system.

RADIO SET LEFT ON FERRY

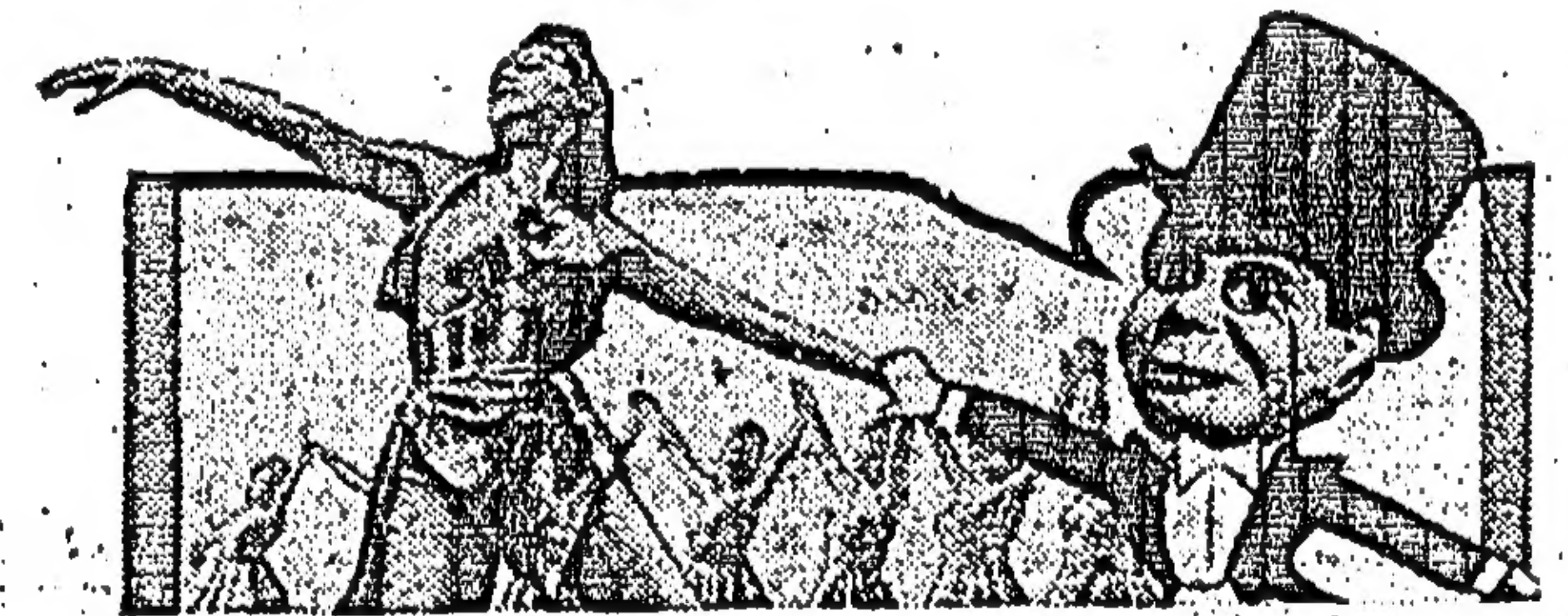
A portable radio receiving set
was found on one of the "Star"
ferry launches at 11.25 p.m. on
Wednesday. The owner may ap-
ply to the Water Police Station.

FOREIGN-BORN HEAR APPEAL TO LOYALTY

Representative T. V. Smith (D)
of Illinois urged foreign-born per-
sons in the United States to re-
port sabotage activities of mem-
bers of their national groups to
the Federal Bureau of Investiga-
tion. Mr. Smith, in a radio ad-
dress, also urged the foreign born,
who are "friends of our democra-
tic way" to "divorce the noisy
minority of renegades from your
great majority of patriotic citi-
zens." He said to "dissociate
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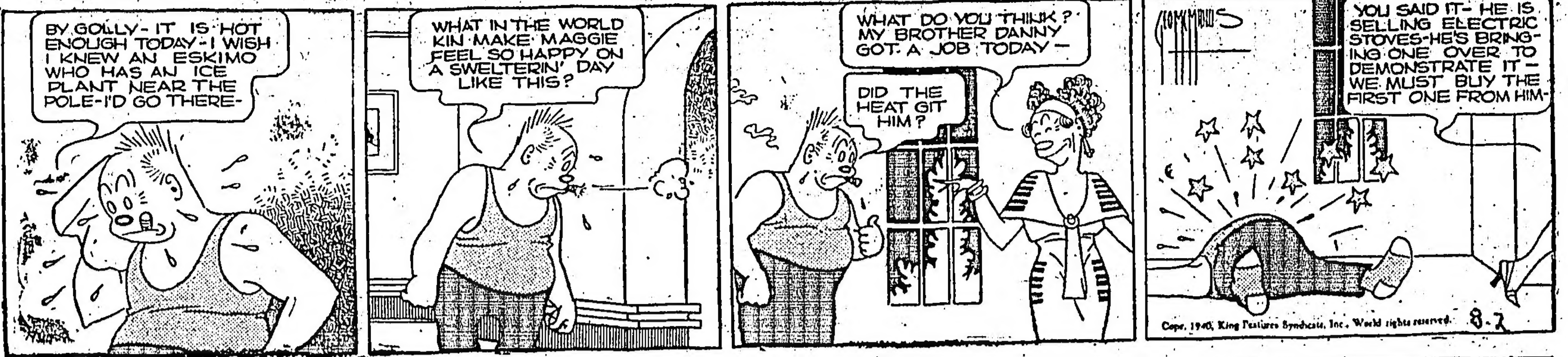
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ISSUES OF WAR NOT WHOLLY UNDERSTOOD

A WARNING TO friends of democracy everywhere not to deceive themselves that the issues of the war now on in Europe are yet fully understood was voiced by Sir Norman Angell, internationally known English economist and writer and winner of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1933, speaking at a meeting of the Women's Division of the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies at a luncheon at the Astor Hotel in New York.

The meeting was called to discuss and formulate plans for the Women's Division, which now has more than 200 volunteer members. William Allen White, Emporia, Kan., publisher, is chairman of the sponsoring committee.

Sir Norman's address was reminiscent of Tennyson's "Locksley Hall," wherein the poet "dipped into the future far as human eye could see." He reviewed briefly the changed status of Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland and Nazi aggression in western Europe and declared that this was a time for all men to weigh and study the record, wherein the independence of 12 or 13 states in Europe was shown "utterly destroyed."

"We will fight if we ourselves are attacked," each of them said, Sir Norman continued. "From that moment they were lost. How could a Finland defend itself against Russia or a Norway against Germany? From that moment that each of these 13 states said, 'We will only fight for our own nation,' they were all at Hitler's mercy, for he could pick them off one by one—destroy them in detail. These 13 states of Europe did not appreciate the meaning of the phrase that there are times when

free men must hang together if they are not to hang separately. There would have been no American nation if its founders had not understood the meaning of that phrase."

Sir Norman stressed that the "principle of unity" was the basis of the Monroe Doctrine.

"It was a policy directed at checking the totalitarianism of the 'Holy Alliance,'" he recalled. "Whether the form the Monroe Doctrine then took is adequate to the changed conditions of our time it is for you to judge. The present interpretation would seem to mean that if Germany were to occupy Patagonia, commitments would compel you to fight, but not if Germany occupied Ireland. Would the German occupation of Patagonia really threaten you more than the German occupation of Ireland?"

Sir Norman stressed that Abraham Lincoln saw the "profound truth" that union was the very condition of survival 40 years after President Monroe: that he knew that democracies must hang together or perish.

"Even at the cost of one of the bloodiest wars of history, Lincoln stood for unity against disintegration."

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They are now at work on substantial contracts for strong room doors for the South African Reserve Bank, a job similar to that carried out for the National Bank of Iceland.

An important development of their work is the provision of heavy lead lined safes for preserving radium supplies.

CORRESPONDENCE

DEAR SIR, — Believing that it would be of interest to the "shooting" community of this Colony I beg to enclose upon your valuable columns with the extract from a letter I received from Australia.

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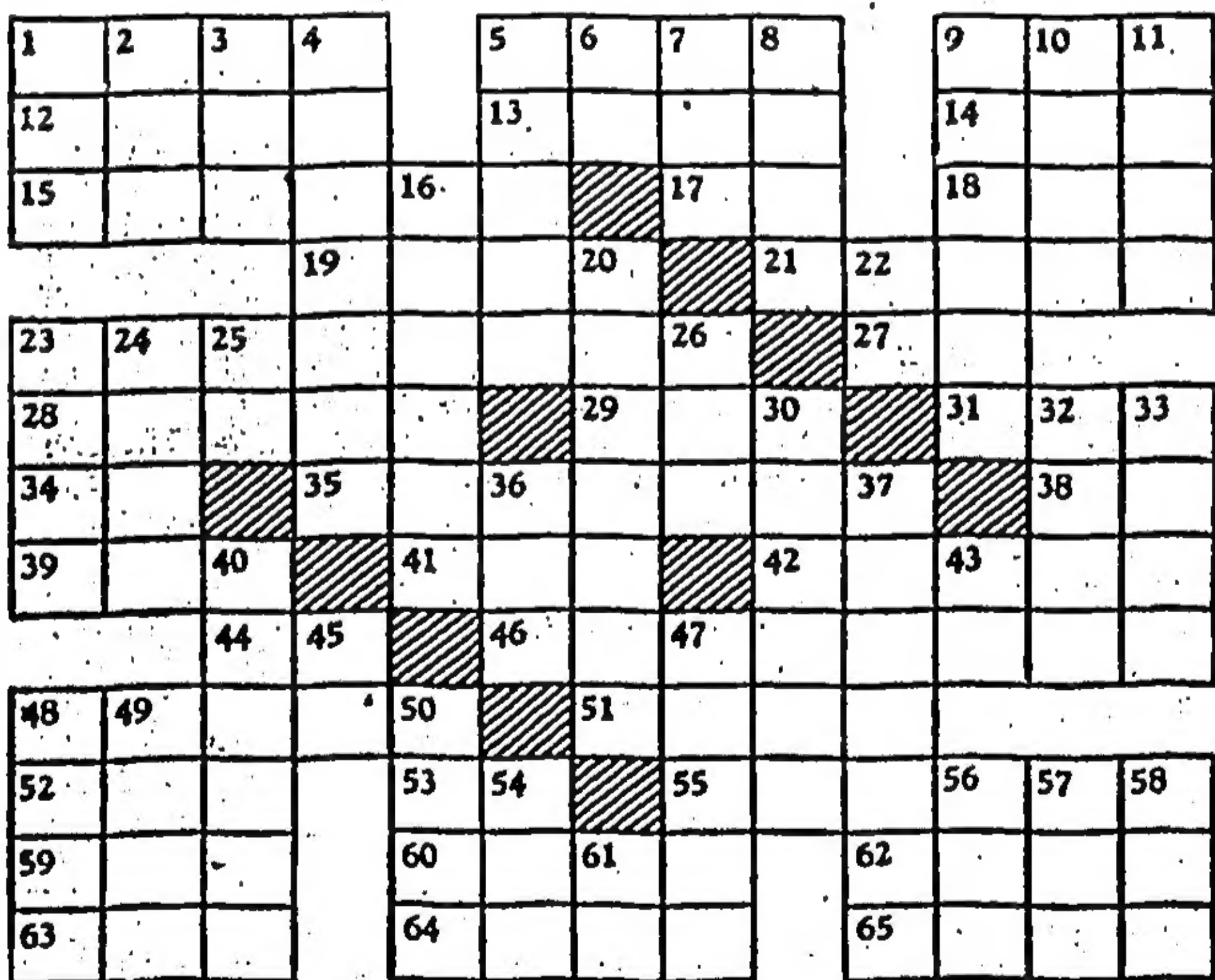
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"tion," he continued, "for he knew that if unity were not maintained, then freedom could not be maintained. The same truth in only slightly different form confronts us to-day."

Sir Norman stressed the deep, common interests between the United States and Great Britain. It was proved most recently, he said, in the British invitation to the United States to become more powerful on British territory in the Western Hemisphere.

"We hope now to improve our defence and yours by letting you in," he added. "It is testimony of the most striking kind to our profound conviction that the stronger you are the safer in the long run shall we be; the safer, that is, will be those values which we both treasure beyond life. Your power is part of our safety, and, as both your great political parties have recently declared, our power is part of your safety."

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- 1 Egyptian goddess
- 5 Greek portico
- 9 Aphorism
- 12 Sand mound
- 13 Seed plant
- 14 Constellation
- 15 To make beloved
- 17 Mulberry
- 18 Free
- 19 Accurate
- 21 To wear away
- 23 Midwestern state
- 27 Preposition
- 28 Wind
- 29 Instruments
- 30 To breathe convulsively
- 31 Fuel
- 32 Note of scale
- 33 Made of fur
- 34 To exist
- 35 English river
- 36 Born
- 37 To assign
- 38 Eleven
- 39 Adventure
- 40 Insignificant
- 41 To carry
- 42 War god

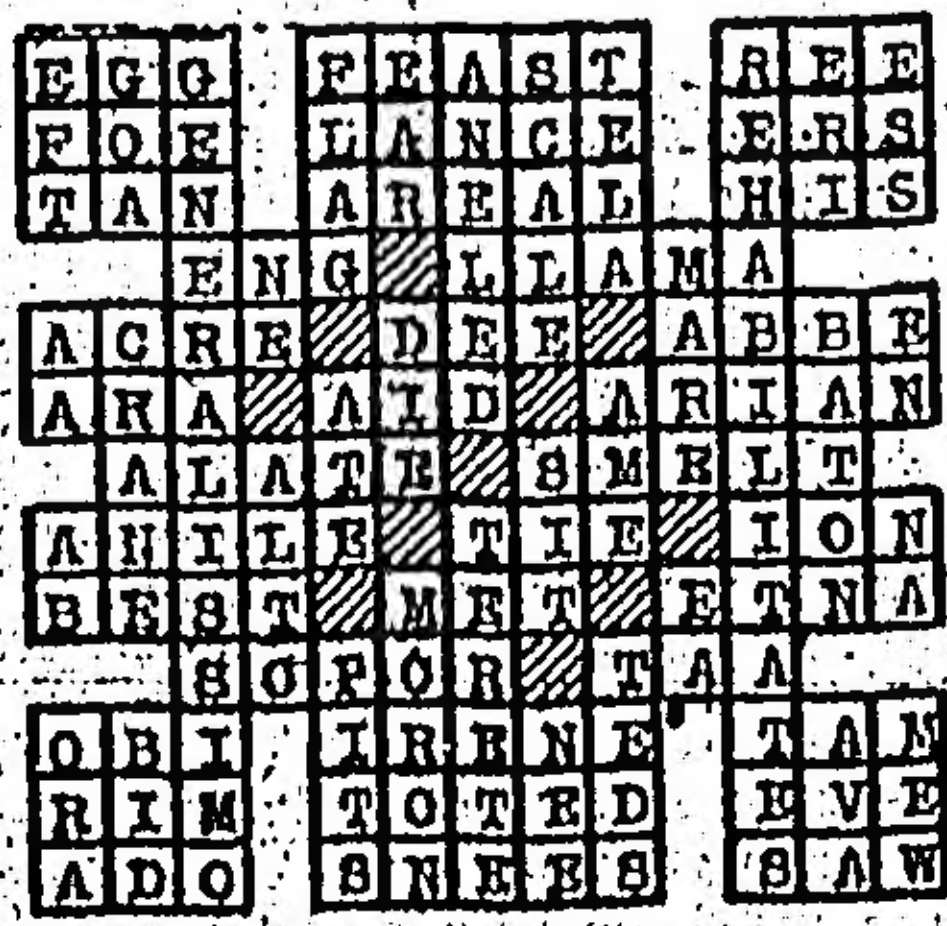
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- 2 Heavenly body
- 3 Poetic Hindustan
- 4 Boiled
- 5 To raise up the shoulders
- 6 Symbol for tellurium

7 Anglo-Saxon money

- 8 Competent
- 9 Malay garment
- 10 Barron
- 11 To walk with effort
- 12 Ascended
- 13 Simplest
- 14 Artificial language
- 15 Additional
- 16 Alpine goat
- 17 Symbol for cobalt
- 18 To bow
- 19 To censor
- 20 In bed
- 21 Withered
- 22 Female ruff
- 23 Relics
- 24 In existence
- 25 Note of scale
- 26 Pronoun
- 27 Poisonous snake
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Tough Time Ahead For British Women

A HUNTING HORN rouses a quiet Home Counties village with the "Gone away!" It is the six o'clock Reveille for a hundred women of the Mechanised Transport Corps, who are in camp, writes a correspondent.

Miss Bridget Greig, the young cadet officer whose duty it is to blow the horn, says: "It's better than a bugle. It carries a long way." The camp, which ends on Saturday, is a testing-ground for women who have volunteered for service in Africa as ambulance drivers.

Of the 70 recruits under canvas (30 of the 100 are officers and instructors), the 55 fittest and most efficient will be sent to Kenya this autumn with 24 ambulances. They will serve with the South African Forces.

Twenty-six others, who left England this summer, have already arrived in Africa.

Officer commanding this new squad will be slim, elegant Mrs. Keith Newall, expert in interior decoration. She will take charge of the whole M.T.C. force in Kenya. She has two daughters, one of whom, Miss Armlida MacIndoe, was married recently to Captain Ivo Reid, Welsh guards.

Her second-in-command is Mrs. G. E. Hall, who has travelled widely and knows Africa well.

Third officer will be Lady Bailey, widow of Sir Abe Bailey, the South African millionaire.

Lady Bailey, who is a noted pilot, left the Women's section of the Air Transport Auxillary in June. She was a driver for the Air Ministry during the last war. Junior officers are being selected from the girls in camp.

"We do not pretend to reproduce African conditions in this camp," Lady Bailey said. "The idea is to accustom recruits to living under canvas and fending for themselves."

From Other Services

The M.T.C. is the only women's corps sending detachments from this country to Kenya, and in the camp were found several others who had left rival Services because they wanted to serve overseas "for the duration."

There were several London ambulance drivers, two A.T.S. officers, and an A.T.S. sergeant. A "Waaf" arrived in her sky-blue uniform to join the camp while I was there.

One recruit, Mrs. Duncan Miller, came from Perth for the camp. And I was told that two of the women are particularly anxious to get to Kenya. Their husbands are there.

I went the rounds with Mrs. Mocatta, the officer in command of the camp. The 50 tents under the tall beech trees were as spick and span as a Guards' camp.

Kit was neatly stowed off the ground on shelves made of sticks lashed together.

Insist On Salutes

Here and there a recruit in the khaki drill dress which is the summer uniform of the M.T.C. stood smartly to attention and saluted.

"We insist on punctilious saluting," said Mrs. Mocatta, "and I also believe in a certain amount of army drill. Drill not only smartens up a recruit, but it seems to brace her mentally as well."

"Most of the women from Kenya are between 25 and 35, which I consider the ideal age."

In one tent a white-coated doctor was examining girls to be sure they were fit for the rigours of the African climate.

Outside the stores tent Girl Guides were preparing a big pumpkin for dinner. Others attended to the camp fires.

For the M.T.C. are too busy driving and drilling to have much time for domestic work other than certain "fatigue."

Seven Guides volunteered to go into camp with them to act as cooks.

Pretty Sergeant-Major

I also met the "sergeant-major."

She is the prettiest sergeant-major any soldier would like to see. Her official title is Company Head Driver. Mary Wyndham. And though she drills the Kenya recruits with due authority, she herself is too young to go abroad with them.

"We put our watches on an hour forward," said Mrs. Mocatta, "so when we say our reveille is seven, it is six o'clock B.S.T."

The day is a strenuous round of driving, drill, mapping, first-aid,

ICE-CREAM

NAVY

A Motto has been suggested for the Italian Navy. It is: "Stop me and sink one."

HOW NAZI LOSS IS HIDDEN

The German Air Command are going to extraordinary lengths to conceal from their personnel the heavy losses in aircraft and men engaged in raids on Britain.

Nazi airmen shot down over Britain and taken prisoner have revealed that air crews who survive raids on Britain never make two raids running with the same squadron.

This applies particularly to bomber pilots, observers, and gunners, who are being changed about so much that they often arrive at a base only an hour or two before they take off. Consequently the pilots and crews do not even know each other's name.

In the R.A.F. it is the practice for pilots and crews to stick together and gain implicit confidence in each other.

By keeping their crews constantly moving from squadron to squadron, the Nazis spread over the gaps in the various messes after raids on Britain.

Coached Separately

It has been revealed that only two or three aircraft from each squadron are sent on raids. They rendezvous with 'planes from other squadrons at carefully worked out times and places, and then proceed on their raids.

Each section has been coached separately on the target to be bombed, which explains to some extent why the aiming of the Nazi raiders is so often wide of the mark.

All R.A.F. crews spend hours together "briefing" a target before setting out.

It has also been revealed that the constant bombing by the R.A.F. of Nazi-occupied aerodromes and ports in Brittany has caused German army generals to consider seriously the advisability of evacuating those areas. The French come out and cheer when the R.A.F. come over, while the Germans run to cover.

BELGIAN FASCIST FREED

Leon Degrelle, leader of the Belgian, Rexist-Fascist party, has been able to "re-establish contact with his party," says the official German News Agency. Degrelle was arrested by the Belgians after the German invasion and sent to France.

camp, craft, repairing and "unditching" ambulances.

Favourite off-duty relaxation is cricket. Ex-Roosevelt girls have knocked up some pretty scores. And the other evening they had a five-mile route march.



Proud as a peacock, Baby Sandy poses for her picture, wearing her first silk 'nightie'—part of her wardrobe in Universal's "Sandy Is A Lady." The child star shows just how a two-year-old "glamour girl" should look before retiring.

GIRLS HELD BY GUNMEN

Two schoolgirls aged sixteen, and a youth of seventeen were kidnapped as hostages by six escaped convicts, and were heard pleading for their lives in a wood near Columbia, Louisiana, after being used as shields in a gun battle in which a sheriff was killed.

The girls, blonde Gladys Diamond, daughter of the Mayor of Rayville, and brunette Voncille Williams, were kidnapped by the convicts, led by notorious Arkansas holdup man Ding Harvey, when driving with their friend Jerry Harrigal.

Harvey had escaped from Arkansas Prison with thirty-five other convicts who, breaking into small parties, spread terror throughout the countryside.

Early in the morning a sheriff's posse surprised Harvey and his five fellow convicts as Harvey was repairing a car at the roadside.

Bound And Screaming

Inside the car were Gladys, Voncille and Jerry Harrigal, bound with rope and screaming.

The convicts dropped behind the car and opened fire, killing Sheriff Gertman.

Then, lifting up the girls and the youth, they fled into the woods.

A lone searcher, Edward Deane, heard the girls begging in a wood for their lives while the convicts threatened them.

Deane was forced to run away when met with a hail of shots.

Now bloodhounds are searching the wood and planes are hovering overhead in another attempt to capture the convicts and save the girls.

CHINESE DAILY IN NEW YORK

A New Chinese Language paper, "The China Daily News," is now being published by Chinese cultural workers in New York in support of the Chinese National Government's policy of resistance and strengthening solidarity among Overseas Chinese, says a report to the "Cheng Yien Pao."

The editorial of the new paper is to discredit Japan's "peace offensive" in China, and the co-operation of Chinese cultural circles in China is being sought.

All communications should be addressed to S. 105, Mott Street, New York, N.Y., United States.

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WINDSOR HOUSE CHAMPIONS OF CIVILISATION

It is said that some animals can lose a leg without knowing it. Is civilisation like that? Or is it awake to its peril? After Tuesday night's savage bombing of London one wonders. Other cities, other peoples have been subjected to this kind of crime—the Chinese, the Ethiopians, the Spaniards, Poles, Finns, Norwegians, Dutch, Belgians, and French. Ruthless aggressors have spared no treasure of person or possession. Now they unleash on the greatest capitals of civilisation their boasted utmost of destruction. Will what remains of the civilised world be merely horrified or will it arouse itself to make sure that the new barbarism shall be turned back for good?

This struggle over London is the complete symbol of the largely unseen struggle of civilisation against barbarism. Every pilot of the Royal Air Force, every bargee at the Thames docks, every humble householder in the East End is a champion of world culture and Christianity. After all the hairsplitting over the war's causes, all the totalitarians' twisted propaganda, all weighing of past mistakes, that is the simple fact.

Those who cherish the best the human spirit has known sense this situation. The spirit of Londoners against odds which no one dared count is beyond praise. Their magnificent courage has been truly voiced by Winston Churchill, the nation's spiritual strength by Lord Halifax.

But one of the most confident tributes to the British people's staying power comes from the writings of an American:

Let who will fail, England will not. These people have sat here a thousand years, and here will continue to sit. They will not break up or arrive at any desperate revolution, like their neighbours; for they have as much energy, as much continuance of character, as they ever had.

Emerson wrote that a hundred years ago. It is true to-day. And all who give thanks for those who stand so staunchly in the front line can find means of making their gratitude effective.

FOR THE TAKING



PARRISH in the "Chicago Tribune."

Democracy's Other Ally

As the first year of the war comes to its end, Britain fights on alone in Europe against the anti-democratic forces of Nazism and Fascism. Nominally, of course, England still has allies—Poland, Norway, and the Low Countries are still formally aligned with the British Empire, although these countries, like France, have been overrun by Germany. But it is Great Britain which in actual practice bears alone the brunt of the battle against aggression in Europe.

The war, however, is not merely a European conflict. Every week that passes makes it increasingly clear that this is a world-wide struggle. No continent can be certain of remaining isolated for long. Africa is already embroiled. On the opposite side of the earth Australia is under no illusions as to what its fate would be if Britain were defeated. America clings anxiously to uncomfortable non-belligerency—all that is left of its outmoded isolationism. From the Atlantic to the Pacific the conviction is slowly spreading across the North American continent that this is a world war against evil forces that imperil all civilisation. Precisely because the United States does look westward to the Orient, as well as keeping watch on the Atlantic, it is perhaps more aware than preoccupied Europe that, in Asia too, the struggle in defence of democracy is under way. In fact, while Europe's conflict is only nearing the end of its first year, China's fight against aggression moves on into its fourth year.

The essential similarity, if not outright unity, between China's struggle in Asia, and Britain's in Europe, is fairly obvious. Yet it has not been much emphasised. At times, even, it is almost overlooked in more acute anxiety over the war in the West.

Nevertheless, China to-day is in the fullest sense democracy's other ally. Britain, its back to the wall before the threat of German invasion, is not fighting alone. China, too, is at war for freedom's sake. At bay for many months against the mechanised, better equipped, and better trained Japanese troops, China has fought on. Among those who have done most to forward an understanding of China's role in the defence of democratic civilisation, Dr. Quo Tai-chi ranks high. For the past

eight years, Dr. Quo Tai-chai has been Chinese Ambassador in London. American educated—he is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania—Dr. Quo is acknowledged to be China's leading diplomat in Europe. He has twice been Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs and has held other important posts in the Chinese Government. More important still, perhaps, he is, to all who know him, a gracious living symbol of the truly democratic charm and deep culture that is China.

In an interview at the Chinese Embassy in London, Dr. Quo Tai-chi emphasised the underlying unity of the great democratic peoples, particularly Britain, China, and the United States. "Supported both economically and morally

By
Mallory Browne

by America, China in the East, and Great Britain in the West, are the two main outposts of freedom and democracy. Each is now being attacked within its citadel. Yet both are busy preparing to go forth at the right moment and carry the war into the enemy's camp. Both remain confident of survival, of ultimate victory and of worldwide reassertion."

But in this connection Dr. Quo referred to the increasing importance of the United States as "the world's arsenal," and mentioned the fact that the trade record for the first four months of this year of exports and imports between the United States and Japan showed a considerable increase as compared with that for the same period last year, and appealed to the American Government and people, with their traditional friendship for China and their sense of fair play and justice, to stop further war supplies to an aggressor nation.

Listing the services which China is rendering to British—and therefore indirectly to American—democracy in this historic crisis, Dr. Quo Tai-chi put first the fact that China by her continued resistance now holds Japan bogged down in the Far East so that she cannot so easily imitate Germany and Italy in their blackening adventures. She cannot now play both ends against the middle as

she undoubtedly longs to do."

Admitting that this partial immobilisation of Japan is not unconnected with the fact that the United States has been keeping its fleet based at Hawaii, Dr. Quo nevertheless points out that China's active resistance is at least as important a factor as American naval manœuvres.

"A second important Chinese contribution to the struggle against mechanised aggression," he said, "is that our successful resistance has proved it is possible to withstand and to defeat the robot forces of motorised military might when the correct strategy and tactics are utilised. Our policy has been to trade space for time. This policy has justified itself through more than three years of fighting. The fact that we are still fighting after three years, and fighting with good grounds for our hopes of victory, surely must mean much to-day to beleaguered Britain, not only idealistically but practically."

A third important contribution which China is making, Dr. Quo listed as "the development, generations sooner than would otherwise have been the case, of the great south-western and north-western provinces of China." This immense area in the heart of Asia constitutes "a self-contained empire in itself," he said. Here the world's three populations converge: India, China, Russia, with more than 1,000,000,000 people and with untold riches, under the earth, in the soil, and in the sturdiness and industry of the prolific peoples.

"We have only begun to realise the potentialities for peace in the future, like those for war in the present or future that lie in this new Chinese hinterland that is to-day no longer a hinterland." In this inner empire, he said, China is carrying out industrial and educational projects of vast proportions. Already the Chinese manufacture most of the small arms used by their armies, and even some of the heavier armament is now being produced locally. The industrial co-operative movement has advanced by leaps and bounds. Schools and universities have been opened and are being multiplied. The machinery of democratic government has not only been preserved, but, despite the stress of war, is actually being developed, Dr. Quo Tai-chi declared.

Counting Chickens?

It is not wise, says the proverb, to count one's chickens before they are hatched. I doubt whether this form of wisdom has ever been justified of her children. Back in the early nineties of last century the Professor of Philosophy at whose feet I sat in Berlin University used to explain, with many citations of Aristotle, that true happiness consists in activity of body or mind with some hope or prospect of success. It was not, he explained, the success that mattered; it was the activity which one felt to have a chance of succeeding.

On this principle quite a large number of my fellow countrymen must at this moment be feeling happy. Their thoughts and their pens are active in the hope, and with what they believe to be the prospect, of sketching out the main features of the better Britain, the better Europe and the better sort of world which we, our Allies and well-wishers must and shall fashion when we have won the war.

This fact, for fact it is, throws a revealing sidelight on our state of thought at a time when our whole country is an armed and fortified camp, and we are supposed to be awaiting obliteration at the hands of Adolf Hitler. Those who do not live among us may be pardoned for wondering whether we are not whistling to keep our courage up as they read or hear our asseverations that we

By Wickham Steed

are not afraid, and are ready for the worst Hitler can do. Yet the simple and unrecorded truth is that large numbers of our people feel sure enough of themselves and of the triumph of our cause to spend hours and days and weeks in trying to work out a policy for all-round renovation when the war has been won.

There was nothing like this in the first two years of the last World War. Not until the end of 1916 did the Western Allies begin to put down on paper their "war aims," and then only at the request of President Woodrow Wilson. What they put down was by no means a world-shaking statement. Indeed, "war aims" only began to take definite and almost revolutionary shape after the same President Wilson had delivered his "Fourteen Points" address to Congress on January 8, 1918. That address shook the world, not so much because it was delivered by a President of the United States, as because it said, broadly, what the great majority of the Allied peoples were dimly feeling and thinking. It foreshadowed a better sort of world.

Imperial Germany rejected it offhand—but invoked it as the basis for an armistice nine months later when military defeat stared her in the face. So a halting peace was presently made on the foundation of a hasty armistice. The trouble was that the Governments of the European Allies had not co-ordinated their policies with President Wilson's "principles," and that President Wilson had not thought out the practical applications of his "principles." Therefore, in course of time, the peace was lost.

This is where the activity of so many thoughts and pens among us comes in to-day. They take it for granted that we shall win the war—because we must. But they want to make sure that we shall also win the peace for others besides ourselves. Hitler, they see, has swept through a great part of Europe like a tornado. He is carrying out a bad revolution, a revolution of destruction and enslavement. We must carry through a good revolution, a revolution of constructive liberation; it must be at once political, economic, and social. It must rid the world of the nightmare of armed aggression. We must prepare for it, plan for it, now. Chickens are never hatched without warmth and air. If we give our ideal chickens warmth and air it may help them to break their eggshells at the right moment.

These are the thoughts that run through many minds in "beleaguered Britain." Before very long they may take concrete shape; and—who knows?—they may even help to win the war by offering other people hope and a pledge that peace, when it comes, will not again be lost.

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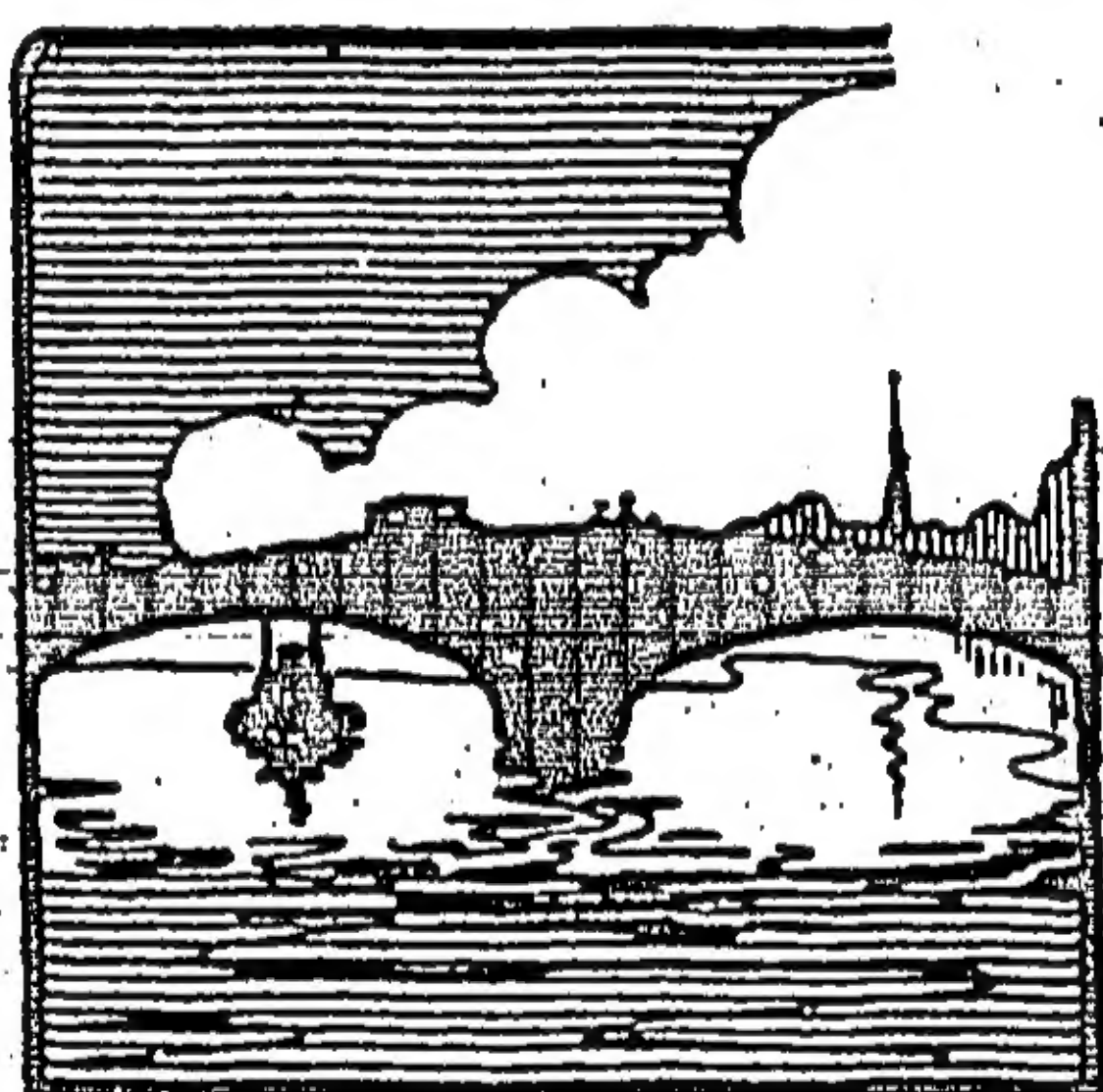
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MEN DENY PLAN TO EVADE ARMY

POLICE ACTION to "scotch" a dangerous conspiracy, bordering on sabotage, was disclosed at Sheffield by Mr. J. J. McAvoy, prosecuting, when four men, alleged to be members of the Fourth International, appeared.

It was alleged they plotted to avoid military service by the use of stolen medical board cards. Letters were read during the case, one of which, according to Mr. McAvoy, made a definite threat to burn down property and mentioned an act of contemplated sabotage.

The four men were: Frederick Jackson, aged 24, of no fixed address; Arthur Osborne Garlick Carford, 52, of Portobello, Sheffield; Charles Bernard Ward, 26, of Ellison Street, Sheffield; and William Beet, 25, of Embassy Court-flats, Sheffield.

At the outset Mr. McAvoy commented: "In this country one has to go to the expensive procedure of sending these men for trial. In other countries they would be dealt with summarily and expeditiously."

Jackson, Carford, and Beet, he alleged, were ringleaders in the plot to dodge the Army.

Jackson left London to avoid military service, and one of his objects in coming to Sheffield was to organise a society to carry on subversive propaganda.

Carford, he said, was a medical orderly at the Ministry of Labour. He agreed with Jackson to obtain Medical Board grade cards from the office, including some exempting men from the Service.

He was arrested as he was leaving

the offices with 12 grade cards and three keys to the premises.

When Jackson was arrested the police did not realise how deep the conspiracy was and he was released on bail. He immediately left Sheffield, but was subsequently found in London.

A great amount of subversive propaganda was discovered at his premises, together with letters, but in the letters only Christian names and initials were used.

"Lucky Fluke"

One letter said that "the old man, Comrade A.C." had got a job as orderly to the local medical board.

"In view of his notoriety, this seems amazing," the letter added. "We have considered the possibility of a police trap, but the job seems a 'gigantic lucky fluke.' At any rate, we have to take a risk and sacrifice the old man in the last analysis."

Mr. McAvoy said that when Carford was seen by the police he had a duplicate key of the board's chairman's room. He had the names and addresses of 20 people whom he thought would be willing to join the organisation because they were fed up with the Communist Party.

Mr. McAvoy read statements by Carford, Jackson, and Beet, and said they disclosed something of what happened, but a great mass of information had been held back.

He added: "A dangerous conspiracy has been disclosed, but fortunately the police have been able to scotch it."

Det. Sergeant Ward said that Carford told him that he found the grade cards in the waste-paper basket and intended to return them to the medical chairman.

No Fourth International propaganda was found at Beet's house.

Sergeant Ward added that Carford was well known to him as a man holding extreme views. He was amazed when he got the job as medical orderly.

The four men, committed for trial, pleaded not guilty and reserved their defence.

KING VISITS B.B.C.

The King and Queen visited Broadcasting House and spent two and a half hours in the Empire and Overseas Departments. They were guided by Mr. F. W. Ogilvie, the Director General. They chatted with the B.B.C. matron about A.R.P. arrangements and spent some time in the Indian section. Sir Noel Ashbridge, the chief engineer, explained technical details.

COIN MACHINE FILMS

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BOMBED RAMSGATE WANTS A SPY HUNT

Business men in Ramsgate, perturbed by the recent bombing of the town, are convinced that from somewhere in or near the town information is being transmitted to the enemy.

In the lounge of an hotel, shortly after the raid that wrecked nearly 1,000 houses and shops, a dozen townsmen discussed the matter.

They argued that it could not be coincidence that bombers arrived over the town within a few minutes of British fighters landing at a neighbouring airfield.

It could not be coincidence, they said, that on a day when high officials came from London to inspect troops the Germans should bomb that particular area.

Search Bushes And Trees

An hotel proprietor said: "We have discussed this matter a lot lately among ourselves."

"We think the authorities should order a comb-out of every house and cottage near the airfield. They should search every tree, bush, outhouse and barn. We think they would find something."

Following similar complaints from other parts of the country, Special Branch officers, and officers of the War Office and R.A.F. intelligence departments, have been ordered to investigate every report, no matter how trivial it seems.

Police have received special instructions to watch for signals during air raids.

In a London suburb wardens and members of the Home Guard were convinced that light signals of some kind were given, and their reports are being investigated.

DISEASE IN ITALY

FROM A NEUTRAL DIPLOMATIST JUST RETURNED FROM ITALY IT IS LEARNED THAT AS A SEQUEL TO PREVAILING MALNUTRITION THE DISEASE PELLAGRA HAS AGAIN MADE AN APPEARANCE THERE.

This was formerly a scourge of the rice-growing areas and certain other Northern agricultural districts where the peasants lived on polenta, a dish made from maize, and on little else. It was at one time believed to be produced by diseased maize, but was later traced to a lack of vitamins. Those affected begin by showing debility and inability to work; in the later stages of severe cases the brain is affected. What appears to be lacking in Italy is a balanced diet. There are four main staples: a week, which means that macaroni and polenta are the staple foods and are too little varied. Utilisation of the railways for military purposes has interfered with the regular distribution of fruit and vegetables.

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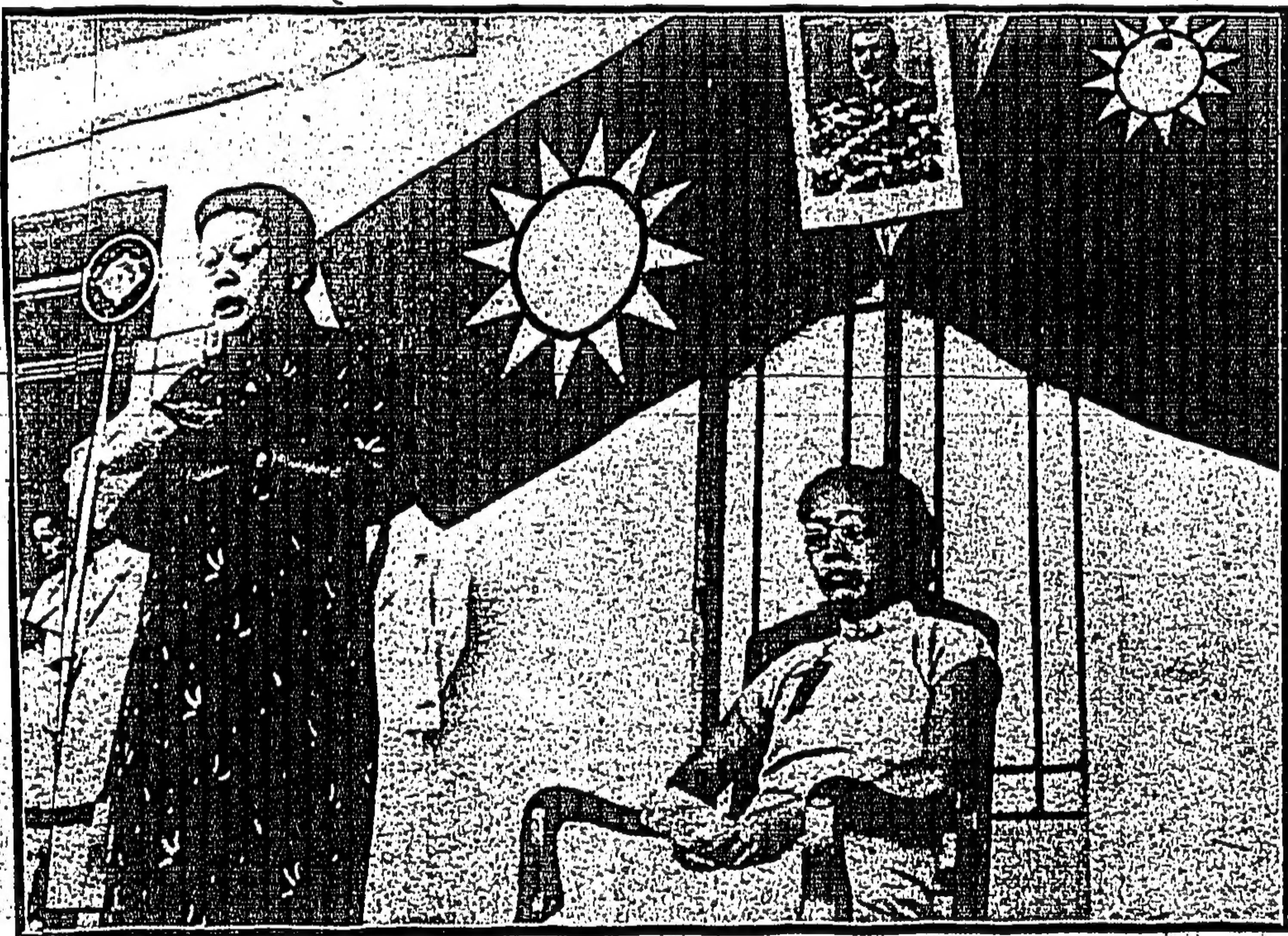
Dinner Party For Acting Governor



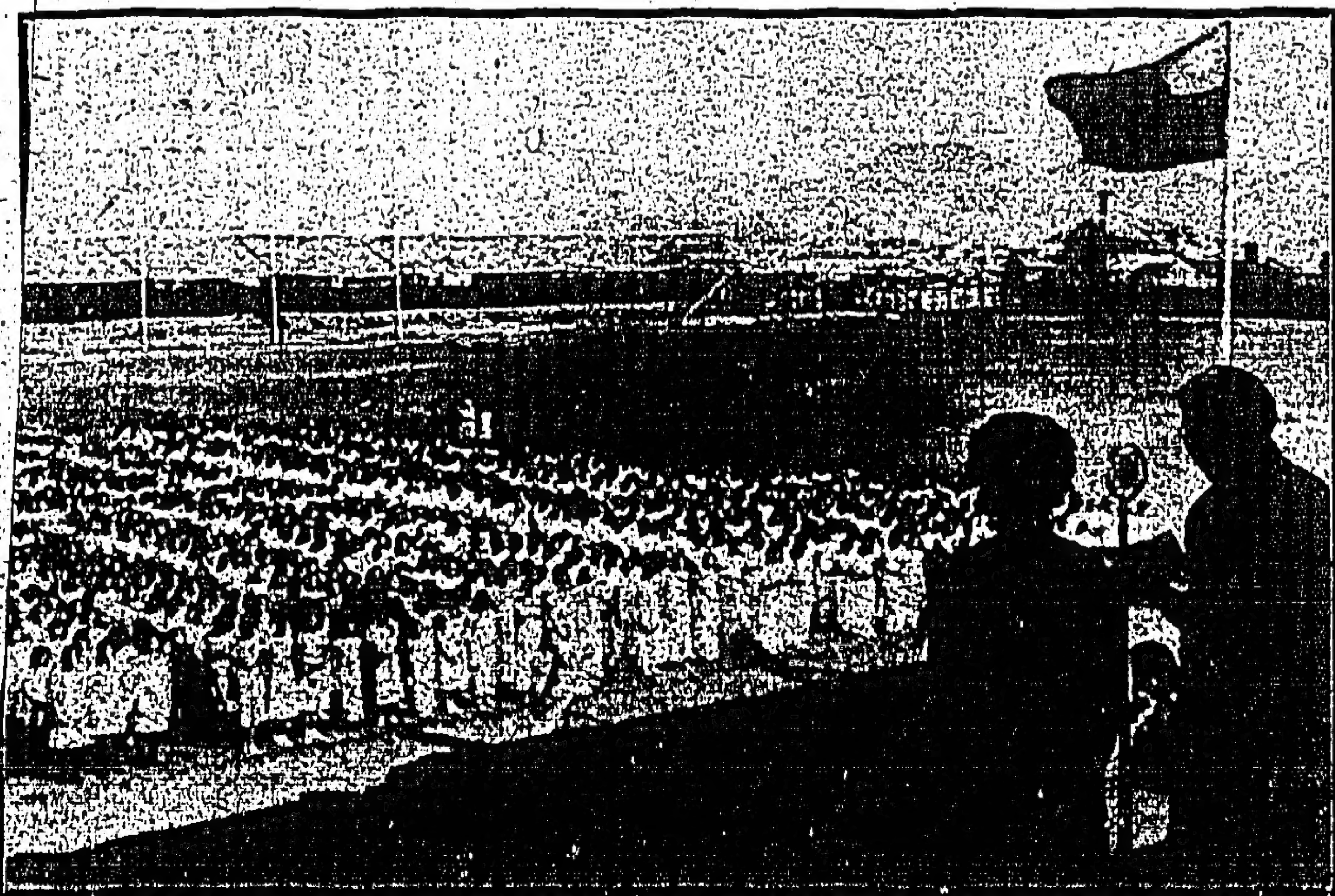
A Chinese dinner party was given, for the first time since His Excellency's arrival in the Colony, to the Acting Governor by four prominent representatives of the Chinese community at the residence of Sir Robert Kotewall. Among guests in the picture are Mr. M. K. Lo, Rear-Admiral Peters, Mr. Eu Ton-sen, Captain Batty-Smith, Li Koon-chun, Mr. R. A. C. North and Mr. W. N. T. Tam. (Kahn).



Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. L. Wong photographed after their wedding. The bride was formerly Miss Anna Chu. (King's Studio).



Miss Katie Woo giving her address at the Double Tenth flag raising ceremony at the South China Athletic Association ground.



A general view of the impressive Double Tenth ceremonies held at Caroline Hill by the Chinese Women's Relief Association.

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SHORT STORY

The Condors' Revenge

By V.G. CALDERON

I've never awakened an Indian by kicking him, though Captain Gonzalez, who had such a pretty, gold-handled whip, loaded with six inches of lead, once tried to teach me how to do it.

"Good-for-nothing!" roared the captain, twirling his Don Juan's moustache. "All these rogues are alike. I ordered him to saddle-up at five in the morning, and there he is sleeping like a hog at seven—I've got to be at Huaraz in two days."

The Indian was sleeping in the open air fully dressed, his head pillowed on an old saddle. At the first kick he stretched and got to his feet. I've never been able to make out whether the punishment produced anger or respect.

As he was rather slow in walking to his round of daily miseries, the soldier lashed him across the forehead. The Indian stood trembling, blood running off his face like tears! I was trembling myself, for I still had the sentimental prejudices of a theorist. I forcibly restrained the violent captain and so avoided further bloodshed.

"Idle good-for-nothing," repeated the tormentor. Then, turning his hard eyes towards me—"That's the way to treat these barbarians. You don't know them, doctor."

Captain Gonzalez had conferred a university degree on me as soon as he saw my shining boots; my new cloak, unstained by the weather, and my guileless townsman's charity. Last night, after winning four Peruvian pounds from me at checkers in the mean little harbour inn, he adopted me with a paternal smile, saying, "Let's travel to Huaraz together, dear doctor. We'll have some fine fun with my lot of an Indian, he's

got a girl friend in every cottage. He served under me last year, and now the Prefect, who's a friend of mine, has sent him to me as an orderly. He's scared to death of my little whip!"

For some time I examined admiringly the skilfully woven rattans of the "little whip," whose lash gradually narrowed, to end in a ball of lead—irresistible, no doubt, when applied to the backs of animals or Indians.

The martial voice rang once more through the court-yard of the inn:—

"And the black fur cloak, you dog? You'll catch it if you don't hurry!"

"I'm fetching it now, mister." And the Indian plunged into the stable in search of the fur cloak. Ten, twenty, thirty minutes, which provoked in orchestral crescendo an explosion of the most varied invective.

Native interjections jostled God and Virgin on the lips of the captain as in the rites of the mountain witches. But the orderly, that most admirable guide, could not be found anywhere in the port, and so Captain Gonzalez set out alone promising him more disastrous punishments in the future.

"Don't go with the captain, he's a barbarian," advised the innkeeper, and so I delayed my departure on the ground that I had to make some purchases. Two hours later, while I was saddling my fine trotting mule, a tousie-headed man in a dusty sheepskin cape came up to me and murmured: "Shall I come with you, mister?"

Should he come! It was the lost Indian. For an hour I also had been looking for a guide who

could lead me over the bad passes of the Sierra, and mend the narrow road between the rocks and the abyss, which the rains or a single fall of stones can destroy in a matter of seconds.

I agreed without fixing any price, and the man explained in his broken speech that I should meet him at the gates of the village.

I had stopped at a cottage to ask for a cup of that horacien maize liquor which has such a cheering effect, when I saw him ride up. His jennet, though lame seemed more spirited than my mule.

The guide led off without more ado. We went by short cuts and difficult passes. When the sun began to roast us he produced a bowl of cooling "chicha" and some puffed maize, soft and woolly.

I must say I enjoyed a much softer bed that night than I should have been able to make for myself out of capes, ponchos and the saddle, at a wayside inn.

The next day was more eventful. Though servile and humble as ever, my companion stopped unnecessarily often at the cottage doors along the road as though asking for news, in soft Quechua speech.

The Indian women who passed me the gourd of "chicha" looked attentively at me, and I thought I could detect an unexpected friendliness in their eyes, though one never knows for certain what these poor slaves are thinking. Two or three times the guide broke the silence to tell me, in his childish language, the sort of stories which would make a traveller's flesh creep.

Simple stories of travellers rolling down the precipice because a rock had suddenly slipped from the Andean mountainside, and carried them with it to the bottom of the gorge, where their bones lie washed in the foaming river.

Against my will I began to be impressed. In the evening the Andes are like great grey toms, and I shuddered in the mist that rises like a visible melancholy from the blue table-lands to the snow-capped peaks. The road, nicked out of the rock above the perilous gorge, seemed to lead us, as in some ancient sacred allegory, towards a sinister goal.

But the same Indian who had trembled beneath the whip was now a fearless acrobat, swinging easily out of his saddle to take the bridle of my frightened, shivering mule, which slithered on the loose stones and gazed fascinated into the abyss.

An hour of this sort of progress set my nerves on edge, and the very whistling of the wind among the rocks made me feel giddy. The condors, familiar spirits of the high peaks, now passed so near that their wings fanned my face and I could see the glare of their eyes.

We had reached a narrow defile, from which I could catch a glimpse of the yellowish cactus-covered tableland, breaking the drab monotony of the mountain range. The guide suddenly muttered, "You wait here, mister." In an instant he was gone.

I waited for him in vain, my heart sinking, my fingers on the butt of my revolver. I cried encouragement to my wavering mule, who, with ears twitching like weathercocks in the wind, measured the danger and listened for death. A deep sound vibrated on the mountain, in the heights something had begun to roll.

Suddenly, fifty yards from me, a flock of condors slanted downwards. And then, quite distinctly, for I had reached a bend in the road, I saw a dark mass gliding and bounding in a cloud of dust down the neighbouring mountain side. A man? A horse? Perhaps a man and a horse, splashing the sharp rocks with their blood and finally staining the foaming river far below.

Shaking with horror, I waited while the mountains threw back and forth the echo of that mortal cataract. A cone of drab wings swirled like a whirlpool above the bodies.

Sliding forward with the furtive step of a viscacha, the jennet appeared, bearing my guide, who, taking my mule by the bridle, murmured in a sorrowful voice, like a sigh, "That was the captain, mister."

"The Captain?" My eyes opened wide with astonishment. The Indian threw me an inscrutable look and explained, in reply to my flood of questions, that "sometimes, mister, as a traveller stands on the edge of the precipice, the insolent condors graze his shoulder

er with their wings, he loses his balance and topples into the chasm; that's what happened to Captain Gonzalez, poor cap."

Removing his wide felt hat, he crossed himself to prove to me that he was speaking the truth. With the gesture of a conjurer he pointed to the great whirling birds already devouring their prey.

I asked no more questions, for there are secrets in my country which the Indians cannot explain to white men. Perhaps there is a dark pact between them and the condors to be revenged on us for our intrusion. But I heard from this incomparable guide who left me at the gate of Huaraz having kissed my hand and refused all payment, that it is sometimes prudent to affront with a pretty whip the resignation of conquered people.

THE END

* A large burrowing rodent found in South America.

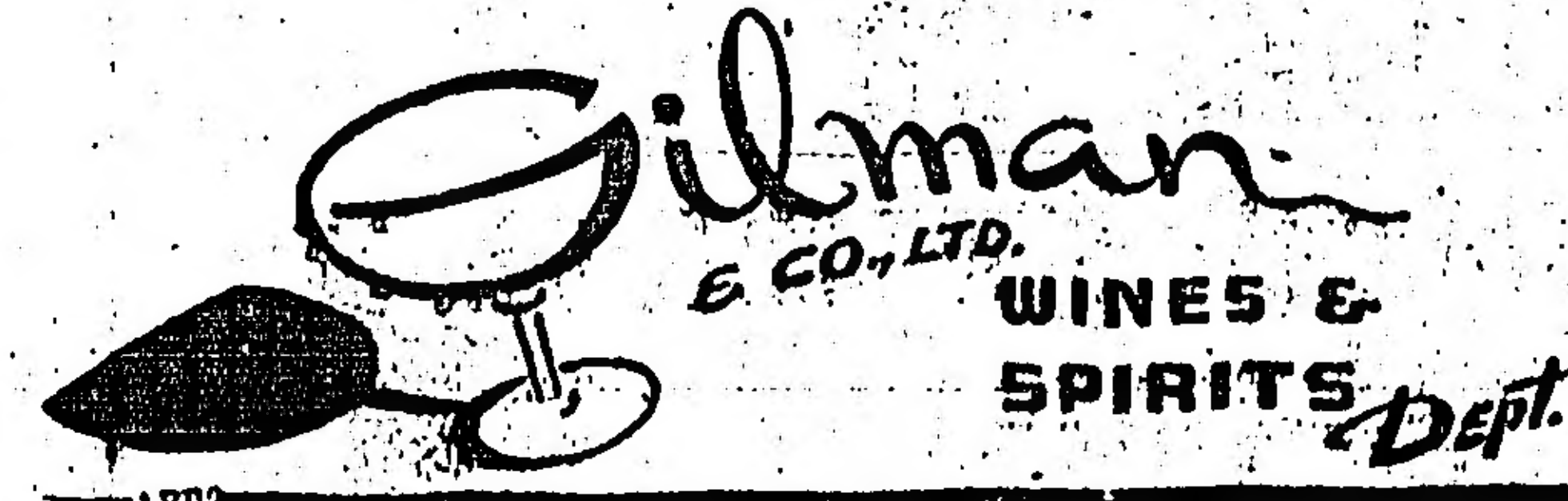


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What The British Blockade Means

"IN a total war the economic blockade must be considered as the principal weapon." That proposition will be found in a book published in German by Stefan Th. Possony, an authority in matters of strategy and an economist of considerable reputation. The book deals with "the economy of total war," and the passage quoted above gives a clear idea of German thought on the subject of blockade. As for "total" war, it was the German general, Ludendorff, who in a now famous work was the most fanatical exponent of the conception of a war which should demand the employment of the maximum resources of a country, at the highest degree of intensity and with utter ruthlessness, in order to achieve a lightning victory.

It is precisely this two-edged process which the rulers of the Reich are putting into practice in the present conflict. On land the Germans have followed the ideas outlined in Possony's book—"the land offensive must be powerfully supported by an army of tanks and aeroplanes."

But what is the economic situation which this German military process creates? It must be borne in mind that mechanised warfare is not only one of destruction, but that it has brought in its wake the enslavement to Germany of many nations on the continent of Europe. That being so, it is clear that however great may be the booty which is robbed from the peoples conquered by Germany, the economic result is nothing short of disastrous for the Reich itself.

German Debility

By reducing twentieth century warfare to the level of barbarian devastations, the new German system of war results in a terrible reduction of the economic wealth of the conquering nations, without conferring any real compensating

benefit, however, on German economy. The German people is no better off. On the contrary: by the impoverishment of all the vital forces of the conquered nations, the position of the German people is that of a military conqueror economically vanquished.

The economy of the German people has for long been in a state of extreme debility. The new German conquests will make its inferior standard of living permanent, for there will have to be further sacrifices in addition to those which the German people was called upon to make in order to

By
Robert Mackay

feed the German war machine. Besides, the economic welfare of a people depends on the welfare of other peoples.

On land therefore the policy of the Reich has achieved one result only: it has terribly reduced the economic potential of other peoples and thereby of its own. At sea, the consequences of German policy have been even more disastrous for the economy of the Reich. It is no doubt in order to hide that fact that German propaganda has given out recently this claim—as the Reich has conquered all the Western seaboard of Europe, from the Pyrenees to the north, the blockade of the Reich is without effect. But the truth is very different, and the facts themselves supply the best dementi of the German claim.

Resources Of Terrorism

It must not be forgotten that it was the Reich itself which, from the outset of war, tried to impose a blockade against England, without however disposing of any legitimate means to make it effective. To make up for that deficiency,

all the resources of terrorism were called in. Merchant ships were sunk without warning. Passenger liners were torpedoed and the defenceless crews of lightships were machine-gunned. All this was done without distinction of flag and without any respect for the neutrality of any nation.

Any ship that came near the coasts of the British Isles risked being sunk by German magnetic mines, by submarine and by aircraft. That was what the rulers of the Reich called a sea blockade! But the German attempt to isolate Great Britain from the world failed. British naval forces found appropriate means of defence against such acts of terrorism by sea, and the sea-borne commerce of all nations with Great Britain continued.

For nearly a century international usage has recognised the following principle as universal: a sea blockade to be binding must be made effective by any nation applying it. Germany could not and cannot fulfil that indispensable condition. On the contrary, she is faced by a naval force which can, in fact, impose such a blockade—the British Navy. The fact that Germany claims to dispose of certain Atlantic ports does nothing to modify that situation. Germany may claim to dispose of the ports. The fact is that she cannot use them. It is the British Navy which debars her from using them, and all the propaganda in the world cannot alter that simple fact.

Efficacy Counts

The fact that the region subjected to blockade is an extensive one does not in any way affect the principle of blockade. What counts is the efficacy of the blockade. Moreover, it is evident that, even before the era of Trafalgar, a sea blockade did not consist merely in drawing a cordon of warships round a port. In addition, the stupendous progress of maritime inventions has prodigiously enlarged the radius of action of sea power. On one condition, how-



Mr. J. R. M. Smith, Mus. B., the well-known Hong Kong musician, who is to conduct the Chamber Orchestra at the China Defence League's Benefit Recital at the Peninsula Hotel to-night.

ever. The blockading power must effectively command the sea. The British Navy fulfils that condition. It is for that reason that to-day the British Navy is in a position to establish a long-distance blockade—a blockade not of harbours, but of ocean routes.

The Reich aspires to conquer the sea by land—a curious inversion of the historic process of conquests! But the attempt is a vain one. This modern German version of Napoleon's continental system, which incidentally failed miserably, has had but one result: it has made it much more difficult for Germany to obtain the producers she requires from overseas countries. By her own action and through the enslavement of so many nations in Europe, Germany has closed all the doors which stood ajar and through which some contraband goods still managed to pass.

Navicert System

In the light of the above facts the reason for certain measures

which the British Government has adopted become quite clear. From now onwards, all ships, as well as cargoes, consigned to ports in Europe, to certain islands of the Atlantic and to certain neutral ports in North Africa, will have to be provided with navicerts issued by British authorities. That is a practical means of enforcing the control already exercised by the British Navy. The sea blockade of Germany will be a hundred per cent. blockade. But due consideration will be given to the requirements of neutrals. Indeed, the new system will be found to facilitate legitimate trading.

The new measures, by strengthening the blockade, render the economic blockade of Germany still more efficient. But they do more. They help to shorten the war by depriving Germany and Italy of many of the elements they require in order to give effect to their policy of conquest. Thus the sea blockade imposed by Great Britain serves the cause of humanity by serving the cause of peace.

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"I got my first German last November. It was the first enemy aircraft to be shot down in the Straits of Dover in this war. I was on patrol between Deal and Calais, leading a section of three Hurricanes from my squadron, when we spotted, at 12,000ft., a Dornier 17 Flying Pencil.

"He was about 2,000ft. below us and as we hadn't seen a German machine up to then, we went down carefully to make sure. We soon recognised him as an enemy, and as I turned to attack, he tried to attack me.

"My Hurricane very quickly outmanoeuvred him. I got on his tail and gave him three sharp bursts of fire. Another member of the section got in three bursts also, as he dived towards the clouds.

"The last I saw of him was just above sea-level. He had turned on his back and a moment later crashed into the sea.

"When we go back to the mess, we were handed a parcel. It contained a bottle of champagne—with the compliments of the Station Commander! You see, it was our first fight—and we'd won! In those days, one German aircraft was something to celebrate."

The Real War Starts

"We went over to France on May 10, when Hitler invaded the Low Countries. We went up that same afternoon. That time we

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didn't see anything, but the next day, we really started.

"We carried out three patrols east of Brussels, and on the third patrol we saw three Heinkel III's. We shot down one and badly damaged the other two. The day after that, we got two Heinkel III's, one of which was credited to me. I shot mine down from 12,000ft.

"All the same, those early skirmishes were child's play to what was to come later. On May 14, after we had escorted a number of Blenheim bombers into enemy territory, we were on our way back when we saw three Dornier 17 Flying Pencils.

"It was a trap, for when we gave chase to the Dorniers, we

suddenly found ourselves in the middle of between 50 and 60 Messerschmidt 109's and 110's.

"I was leading the flight that day, and when I realised how hopelessly outnumbered we were, I gave orders to the boys to sort out their own targets and not to keep formation.

"A Good Day"

"We broke up and began to set about the Messerschmidts. I got a Messerschmidt 110, and other members of the flight got four more. On the way back to our base, I saw two Henschel 126's, one of which I shot down. I damaged the other with the rest of my ammunition.

"It was a good day. We routed an overwhelming number of enemy fighters, beat up two of their army reconnaissance aircraft, and we all got home safely! Our bag on that day was six. There were six of us, so we averaged one each.

"There were several other days when we ran into heavy odds of enemy fighters. It is really amazing, looking back, that we should have had the success we had. But it certainly was a success each day.

"We never ran into the Germans without shooting some down.

"When we were patrolling Dunkirk, for instance, giving protection day after day to the B.E.F., we always got a few. I remember once, when we found ourselves in the thick of 6 squadrons of Messerschmidt 109's and 110's, we saw an unusual type of enemy fighter. They were the new Heinkel 113's. Naturally we couldn't resist the opportunity. We got one of each type of enemy fighter, and three or four 'probables'.

"I was attacking a Messerschmidt 110 when I suddenly realised that there were six Heinkel 113's on my tail. I made a very quick turn to get away from them and then shot down the Heinkel 113 on the extreme left of that particular formation.

"That was in the afternoon! We had had an 'appetiser' before lunch when we met 20 Heinkel 111 Bombers. I got one. He went down in flames. And others of the squadron got their share.

The Smoke of Dunkirk

"The smoke from innumerable fires in Dunkirk and other French coast towns was terrific about that time. A fellow pilot described it as being like a gigantic piece of dirty cotton wool lying right across the sea shore, following the coast down the Channel as far as he could see, even from two or three miles up. There were times when we found that same smoke of great assistance in outwitting enemy fighters.

"One of our squadron, for instance, used up all his ammunition in shooting down two Messerschmidt 110's one day and found himself being chased by two more.

"Without ammunition he could do nothing, so he dived into the smoke over Dunkirk. He emerged above the smoke a few miles away and there the Messerschmidts were still waiting for him.

"They simply stuck above the smoke waiting for him to emerge, a victim for their guns. But he outwitted them by diving back into the smoke and was able to slip away home, only to be off again into battle the same evening.

"We were stationed in France eleven days. I remember that when we went away the roses were in bud; and when we came back they were in full bloom. In between, we'd had eleven glorious days of action."

An Exciting Episode

Here is the story of an exciting episode in the work of an R.A.F. bombing plane, told by the pilot.

"I was leading a bombing raid on strong enemy columns. After the task had been completed, my aircraft was attacked by seven Messerschmidt 109's. In the course of the pursuit the rear gunner of our bomber shot down one Messerschmidt in flames and disabled another.

"After that I found cover in a cloud. On emerging from it, however, our bomber was again



Chan Chun-wan (centre) who won the Chinese cross-hat race at North Point. On the winner's left is Yan Sai-kwan, the runner-up and on his right is Fung Chiu-cheong, who came third.

attacked by a stray Messerschmidt 110, from a range of only 50 yards. The attack was at once returned and, once more, the air-gunner saw his opponent burst into flames and dive headlong to the ground.

"During the duel, the German pilot had scored a number of hits which set the port petrol tank on fire. It was obvious that the bomber would soon be ablaze, so I gave the order to abandon aircraft. The observer jumped and made a safe landing. I then stood on the wing and was just about to jump when I saw that the rear-gunner was still inside the machine.

"I realised that he was wounded and saw that his parachute harness had become entangled with his gun. I got back into his cockpit, regained control of the aircraft and brought it safely to earth in flames. I then helped the gunner out of the machine, and within a few minutes of our getting clear the aircraft blew up."

New Zealanders Over The Ruhr

The following account of a visit to a Bomber Squadron was written by an officer of the R.A.F.V.R. from New Zealand.

"The grass, the oaks and the garden before the Officers' Mess were essentially English. The Station Commander was a mighty man with a voice which launched a battleship with every breath. He also was English. He stamped on a cigarette, leaned back in his chair and said, 'If you'll walk in under that arch, you'll find the New Zealand squadron. They're a fine lot of chaps. Damned good navigators. Good afternoon!'

"So I walked over the hot asphalt path and I found the Wing Commander, rotund, definite, but kind, born in Southern Canterbury. From that moment, we forgot England and talked of New Zealand. A pilot joined us from Otago. Then one from Stratford, who made a flight lasting no less than fourteen and a half hours over Norway, a few weeks ago.

"For one night I was to stay with the bomber squadron which was originally formed to fly out to New Zealand. But when war was declared, these New Zealanders stayed in Britain.

"They have already made history, over the North Sea and over enemy territory. No less than 114 sorties over Norway, Denmark, Germany, Holland, Belgium and France; nine amazing months during which they have given bitter punishment to the enemy with the loss of only one machine.

"For my visit I had chosen the night of a raid over the Ruhr. As darkness came, eighteen bombers were silhouetted against the moonlit sky. Dark and ballast-laden, they waited. Then the pilot from Stratford, the cheerful one from Otago and one who had signed with the memory of summer holidays in New Zealand beaches, eighteenth of them jumped into lorries and, from my car, beside the hangar, I saw the bombers also in groups of three.

With a full moon silvering the tips of their wings, they disappeared towards the coast, towards the channel, over the country of the enemy to the Ruhr.

"It was a cold and lonely wait. The night passed. I knew, as I stood there, that they were dropping their bombs on the petrol dumps and the railway junctions of the Ruhr. The trees rustled in the wind. The immense buildings of the air force station seemed to grow bigger still, in the darkness. I heard a sentry's challenge and the clanging of a vast metal door.

"As morning was born over the horizon, the first bombers came back. They seemed to soar down to the landing ground. Three of them."

"The pilot from Otago came along. He had done his job. 'It was a piece of cake,' he said. 'He passed in to drink a cup of coffee. There was no fuss, no intensity.'

"The lights of three more appeared. They landed. An air-gunner from Napier jumped out of one of them. It was his first flight over enemy territory. He said, quite calmly, 'I expected to see more than I did.'

"Three more, and then three more. And then seven, leaving only one to come. A pilot came over to me and offered me a cigarette. He said, 'It was a wizard. Not a cloud! You could count the trees... the sort of night love was born! Somebody near by said 'Oh Yeah'. He also passed on for his coffee.

"And then, just as we searched the sky, begging the night to yield up the last of the valiant company, the lights of the last bomber appeared.

"And while the petrol dumps and the marshalling yards of the Ruhr smouldered in the morning light, the Wing Commander from Southern Canterbury was able to write in his log book, 'All our aircraft returned safely!'

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"Rather early in the morning for tree felling, isn't it?"

"The early woodcutter gets the first tree, you know. Besides—it's an ugly tree. There is something offensive about that tree. Come to think of it, it rather reminds me of you, Bertie."

"Well—I must confess I didn't expect to see you chopping trees this morning—and smoking a

whacking big black cheroot. Not after last night..."

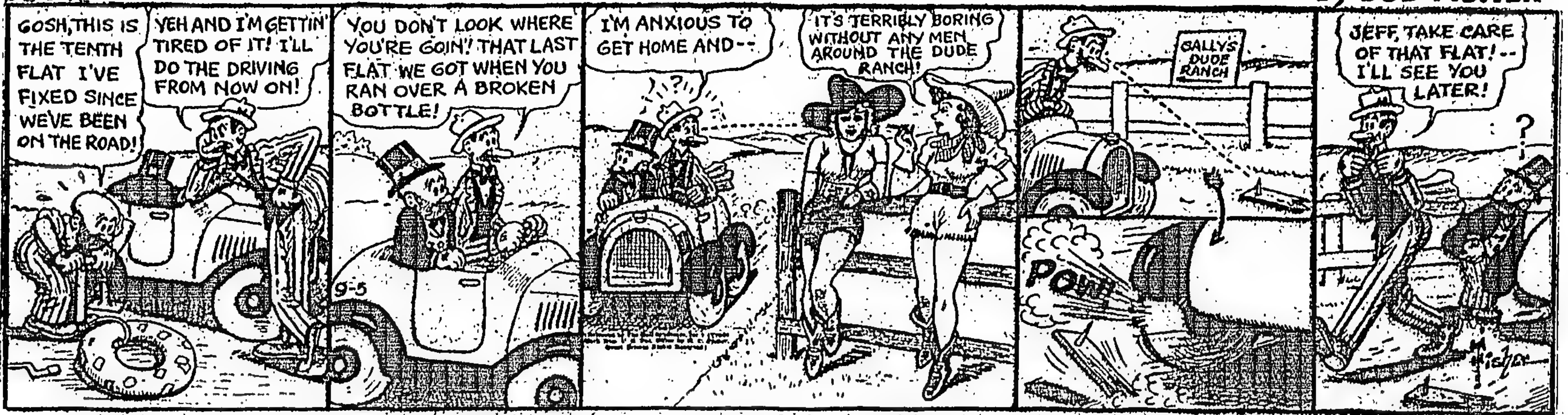
"I don't like the way you say 'not after last night.' I detect a certain envy in the tone—a certain undercurrent of bitterness. You ought to be overjoyed to see me absolutely bristling with joi-de-vivre."

"I merely marvel at your powers of recovery."

"You needn't, Bertie. It's all due to Rose's Lime Juice, you know. Prevents mornings before the night before. Just the thing before you go to bed. And now, Bertie, with your permission I'll step out and deal our unsuspecting arboreal friend a couple of throwed cracks with my little axe."

MUTT AND JEFF

By BUD FISHER



A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Pepper-and-Salt Hair May Be Smartly Dressed

"EVERY woman near forty should show her ear-tips," are the words of Helen Cookman, a prominent New York designer of chic clothes for the middle-aged woman. She believes that a youthful, dignified effect is thus acquired which helps to carry off nicely styled clothes.

A leading hair stylist agrees with her, and further states that the up-swept coiffure, now so much in vogue, is particularly becoming to the woman of that age group.

Many women regret the salt-and-pepper stage of graying hair. They let it get them down. They shouldn't. They cease to take interest in the care of their hair or its styling. Which is a grave mistake.



All the luxury and soft shadings of lovely chinchilla fur is called to mind when one looks at this exquisite coiffure for pepper-and-salt hair, designed by Lura de Gez.

Nature fades our hair to harmonise with our fading skin. You have seen a fading face beneath a mass of dyed hair and it has given you a jolt! If the experiences of life have taken a forfeit in the pigment of our skin and hair, let's accept it gracefully. You have the choice of giving your skin great care and keeping it youthfully lovely in texture, and having your hair expertly tinted so it will not look dyed, or, of letting your hair remain its natural shade and caring for it as diligently as you do your skin. You are not old, just because your hair has begun to fade. But you will look old unless you keep both your complexion and hair beautifully groomed, and your eyes young!

Care For It Intelligently

Graying hair is quite likely to be dry. Therefore hot oil shampoos are in order, and scalp massage with finger tips. Daily brushings with a good, clean brush, works marvels and if you will seek a good hairdresser and put your head in his or her hands for styling, you will have a head of

which you may well be proud.

What Not To Do

If you are past thirty don't think you can get away with a debutante bob, or having your hair curled coyly about your face. Your hair, to be smart and to be flattering, should be brushed away from your face on each side, and in back it should not be lower than an inch below your nature hairline, or it should be brushed up high. Coy bows or other juvenile decorations, are not for you, and if you do condone them you are only drawing attention to your gaining years.

There are so many sleek, beautiful, becoming hair-dos for young and old women in the age group from thirty-five to fifty-five that there is no reason for these women to cling to current, juvenile hair styles. On the other hand, these women should not be content with an old-maid style or a dowager's hair-do of an era past. If hair is kept in good condition and is expertly waved you have the choice of extremely smart combings, and if you do not like one, try another.

Ten Brushes For Beauty!

A Meticulous beauty of this era relies upon ten brushes to keep her beauty alluring.

A chic woman considers her lip brush the most indispensable beauty aid. She dips it into a lip rouge and outlines the desired lip shape, fills in the outline with matching lipstick, and then deftly blends all with her brush.

Shining tresses with a halo glow are compensation for the hundred strokes a day! Always brush up from the scalp to the very end of the hair, to send nourishing blood rushing to feed the roots. If your wrist tires easily, bend over so your hair falls over the crown and your strokes may be downward instead of upward.

The intricate art of eye make-up requires three small brushes. One for brow grooming after the brow pencil has been applied, a smaller one for lash colouring, and a third to be dipped into warm castor oil at night to promote the growth of lashes and brows. No screen or stage beauty is without

these three.

Complexion beauty depends greatly upon skin cleanliness and nothing can equal the aid of a soft-bristle complexion brush wielded with suds of bland soaps, twice weekly.

If you desire a beautiful back, free of minor blemishes you simply must use a long-handled back brush when you bathe. Here again suds of a bland soap briskly brushed over the back area will banish minor pore blemishes and keep the skin functioning as it should. It makes you feel good, too!

If you envy that smooth translucent complexion some women seem to possess, learn how to powder correctly. Powder should be placed on the skin with clean absorbent cotton, thickly, and then brushed off with a long, narrow powder brush until only a film of powder remains. If your foundation cream and powder match in shade, your skin will appear to have the most exquisite of textures.

We shouldn't have to remind you of the last two — a tooth brush and a nail brush. Both are daily necessities.

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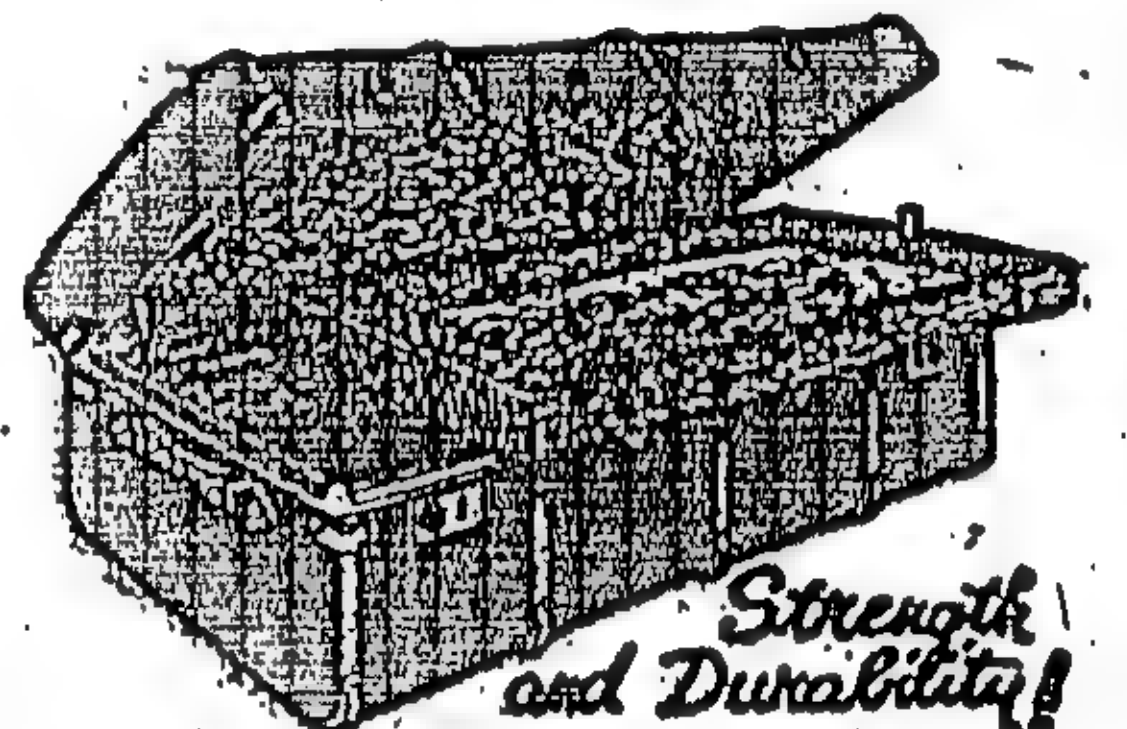
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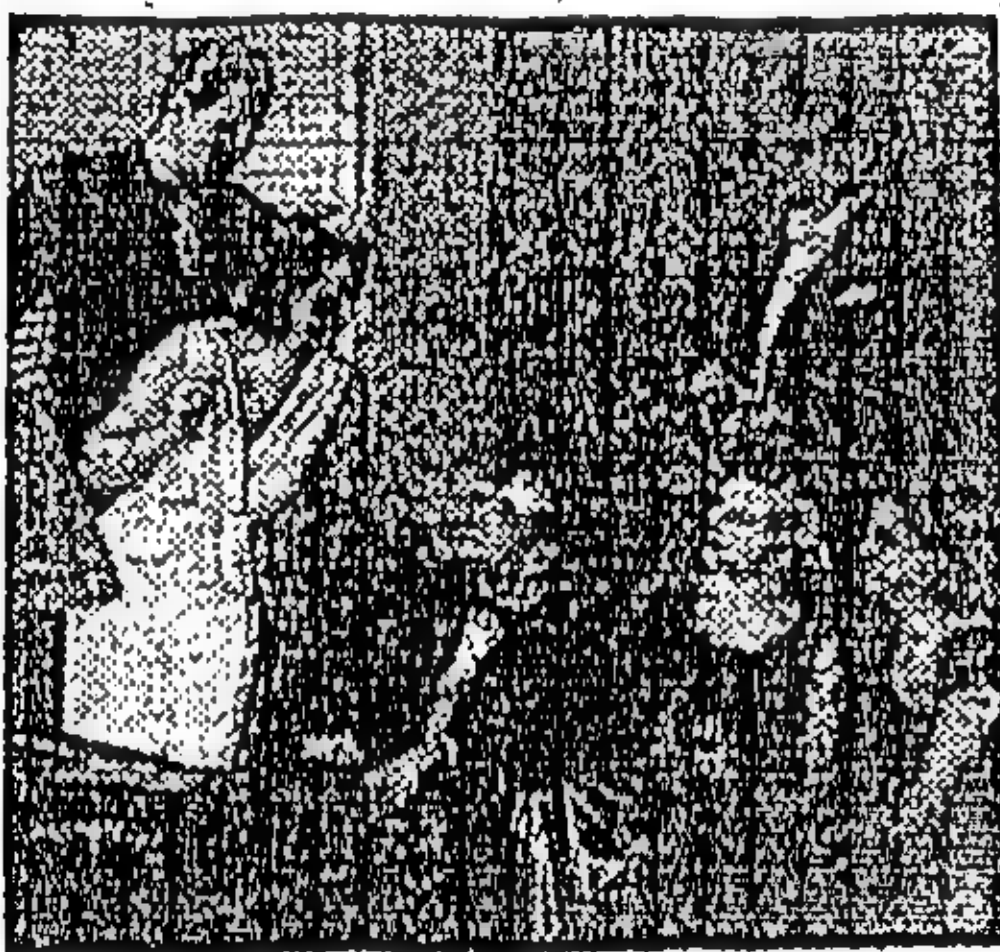
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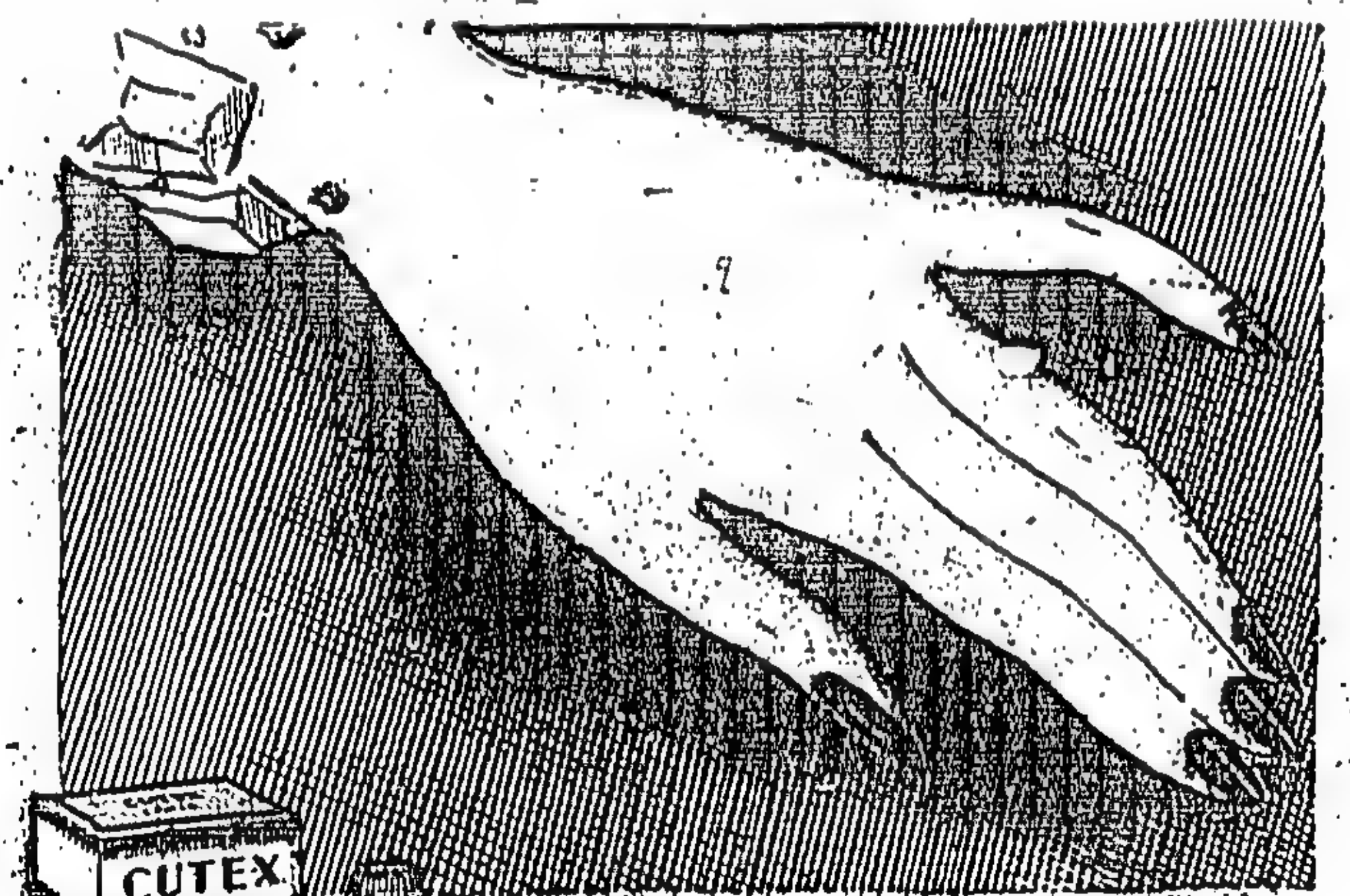
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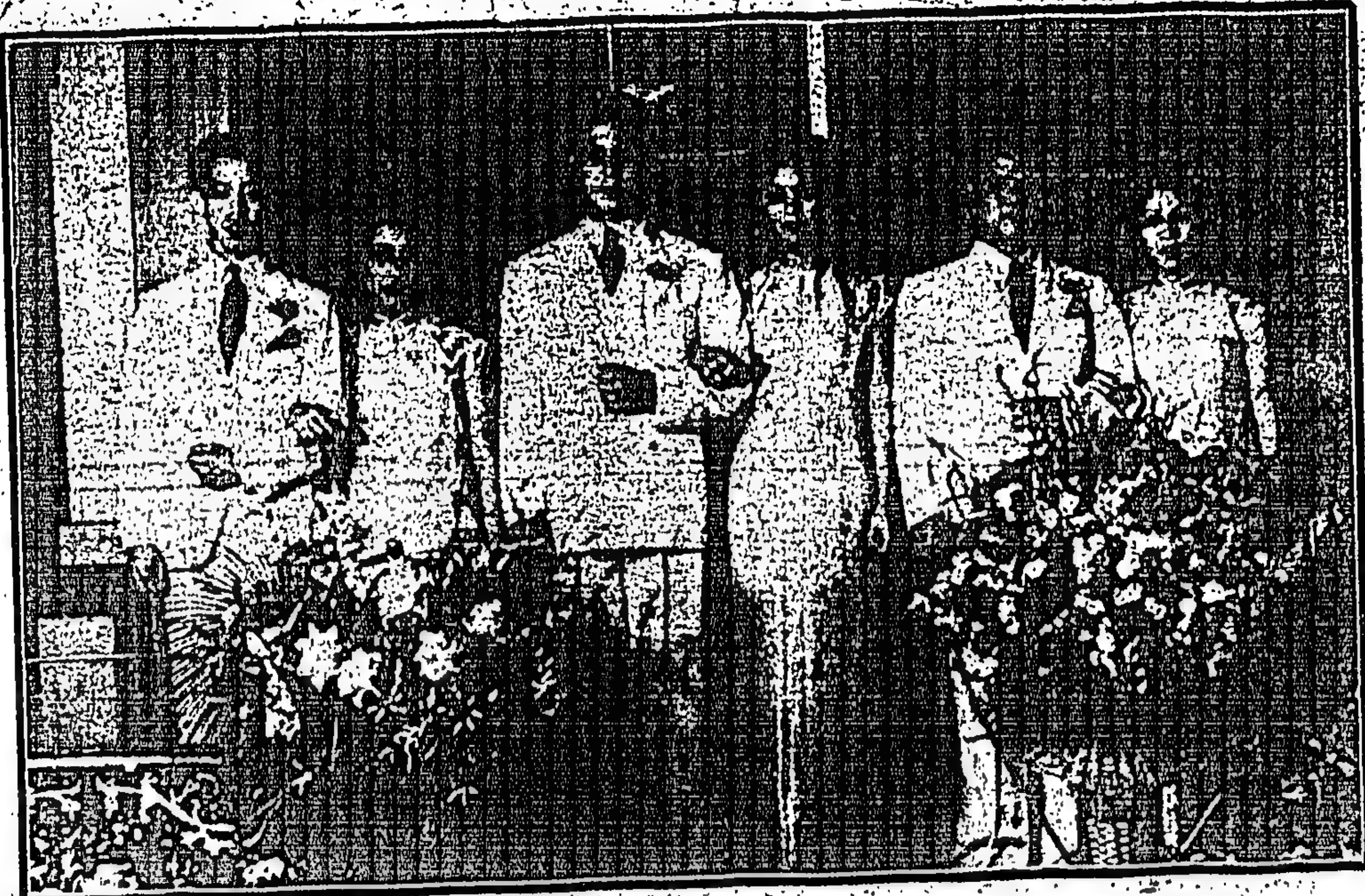
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TRIPLE WEDDING



(Above)—A triple wedding was held at the Hotel Cecil last week when the bridegrooms were Messrs. Hung Yee-hon, Loo Yung-sze and Chen Yuan-san, and the brides the Misses Chan Wei-kien, Ho Lai-yat and Chan Lai-ping. (Kahn).




(Top left)—His Excellency the Acting Governor photographed with Professor Forster and Mr. P. S. Cassidy outside the Cathedral at the Seafarers' Service last Sunday.

(Left)—Spectators photographed at the Kowloon Football Club during the semi-final of the Open Singles Lawn Bowls Championship when Howard looked likely to win from Jones and upset the experts. (Kahn).



(Right)—The Waltz from "Les Sylphides" will be danced by Miss Ai-lien Tai at the China Defence League Benefit Recital for Chinese war orphans, to be held tonight in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel.

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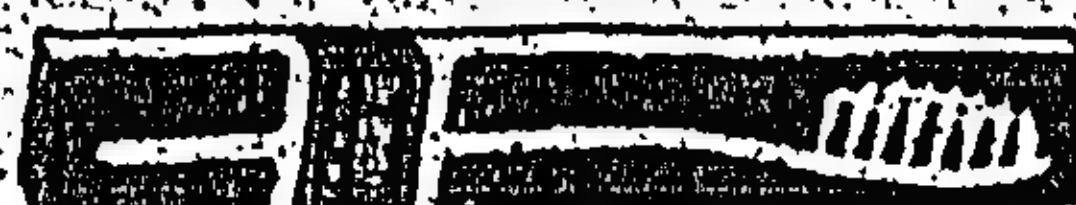
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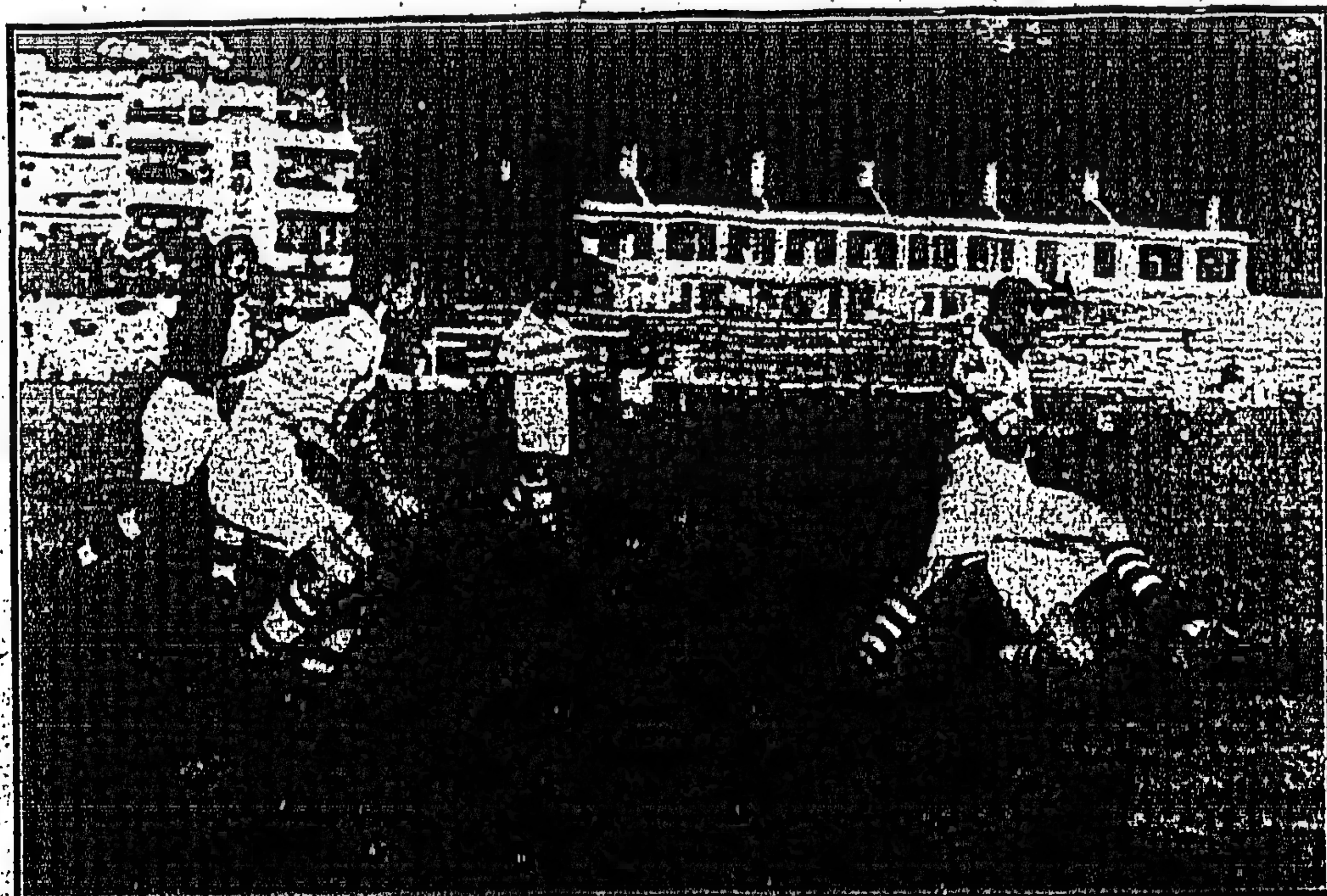
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MAYFAIR NOW A "DEPRESSED" AREA

MAYFAIR, HOME of the wealthy, is in danger of becoming not only a depressed, but a derelict, area. The whole of Mayfair is in the City of Westminster, which also includes part of Knightsbridge and Soho, the Strand, Victoria, and all the south side of Oxford Street.

And Sir Samuel Gluckstein, chairman of Westminster City Council Finance Committee, said at a meeting of the council that the advice to avoid spending had hit Westminster with the utmost severity.

"Westminster," he said, "is the central shopping centre of London, and the heart of the world of amusement and entertainment."

Derelict Area

"If his state of affairs continues Westminster will, at the end of the war, be a derelict area."

The council decided to increase the rate for the next half-year from 6s. to 6s. 8d. in the pound, making the total for the full year 2s. 2d. higher than in the past year.

Also the council decided to make representations to the Government that steps should be taken to give substantial relief to Westminster's rate-payers.

Sir Samuel Gluckstein said: "Before the war our loss from 'empties' — empty properties — was six per cent. It has already risen to seventeen per cent., and by next March we shall have got up to twenty per cent. or more."

"This increasing number of empties is being brought about by depressed trade conditions. As the number of empties increases the product of a penny rate becomes less."

Shops Closed

"So the more you increase the empties the more you increase the burden on those who are left. It is the vicious spiral we all wanted to avoid. The situation is becoming very grave."

"Take a look round Bond Street and Regent Street and you will see for yourself the number of shops and properties that have had to close."

"Another factor is that increasing taxation has made it impossible for Mayfair people to keep their former standard of living and the big houses are becoming untenanted."

"That is a matter of general taxation which we have to face up to, but it does contribute to the general depression."

Note: The produce of a 1d. rate in Westminster has fallen from £37,500 to £35,070, and deficiencies in collection equal a rate of 3.7d.

STAR OVER HITLER

THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTION IS SENT ALL THE WAY FROM CALIFORNIA.

"Hitler is known to be a firm believer in astrology. Suppose British Intelligence were to discover by what system he is influenced when contemplating war-like action."

"Then ascertain the day and hour of his birth, submit those details and system to a reputable astrologer in England and ask him to designate what dates are regarded as specially favourable to Hitler's enterprises, according to that system. Then instruct the Services to be particularly alert on those dates."

"Whether or not the Services themselves believe in astrology is no matter, the point is that Hitler does. His activities are very apt to be guided by the heavenly portents."

The American correspondent apparently combines thought-reading with his interest in astrology. "This suggestion may not be so cranky and bizarre as at first it will appear to you," he adds.

JAPANESE PUBLIC SAYS WAR NEEDLESS

It is understood in Tokyo that the British Embassy regards the present situation as serious, although not necessarily hopeless, and the American Embassy is also somewhat pessimistic about the matter. The Japanese public considers a war with either America or Britain as absolutely needless, and that nothing will occur unless it is forced on Japan by the U.S.A. Japanese are asking Americans whether their country is determined to fight Japan, and to give reasons if such is the case. Moreover they are asking why the Washington State Department is recalling Americans from the Orient unless it is determined to fight.

The Japanese attitude towards Britons and Americans, however, remains unchanged, no incidents having occurred in which foreigners have been molested. There are many attacks on American and

HE SAVED THE SERUMS

An obscure French Army doctor is disclosed to be the unknown hero who saved four-fifths of the Pasteur serums at the height of the battle for France.

The serums, says a Vichy report, were stored in a chateau in the battle zone. Roads to the chateau had been badly smashed by air raids, and were heavily mined. Fighting raged on all sides.

The doctor commandeered an army lorry and made three perilous trips, successfully getting the serums back to Tours.

British policy, however, and the reason is given that it is necessary to arouse public opinion to defend the nation's rights and even her existence against the Anglo-American threat.

Much more surprise has been aroused by the recalling of Americans from the Orient, which is seen as a hostile gesture, than at the re-opening of the Burma Road. The re-opening is regarded as part of Anglo-American plans to encircle Japan, and she will undoubtedly take whatever measures she thinks appropriate, probably via Indo-China.

COOK, FISHERMAN SAVED 400 LIVES

FOUR HUNDRED SOLDIERS of the B.E.F. owe their lives to Fred Barter, fisherman, and Frank Lunn, cook, both men of Hampshire. It was announced that Barter, who comes from Emsworth, and Lunn, whose home is in Fareham, had been awarded the D.S.M.

Here is their story, told by Fred Barter:—

"When war broke out I volunteered and was posted aboard a private yacht."

"Then came Dunkirk. Frank Lunn, our cook, and I were put in charge of a rowing boat and sent ashore to pick up soldiers."

Swam Mile

"Usually the boat holds only six, but we got in 20, and towed rafts carrying another 20."

"We were sunk by enemy action and had to swim for it. Most of the B.E.F. men returned to the shore, but Frank and I swam over a mile back to the yacht, took another boat, and carried on with the good work."

"Eventually we got 400 soldiers safely on to the yacht."

"Our captain, Mr. H. Sparkes, was not satisfied with that, so he kept going from place to place on the French coast to see if there were any more English soldiers left."

"Full Of Germans"

"We called at Recamp and I went into a place there and asked if there were any Englishmen. I was met with a stony silence."

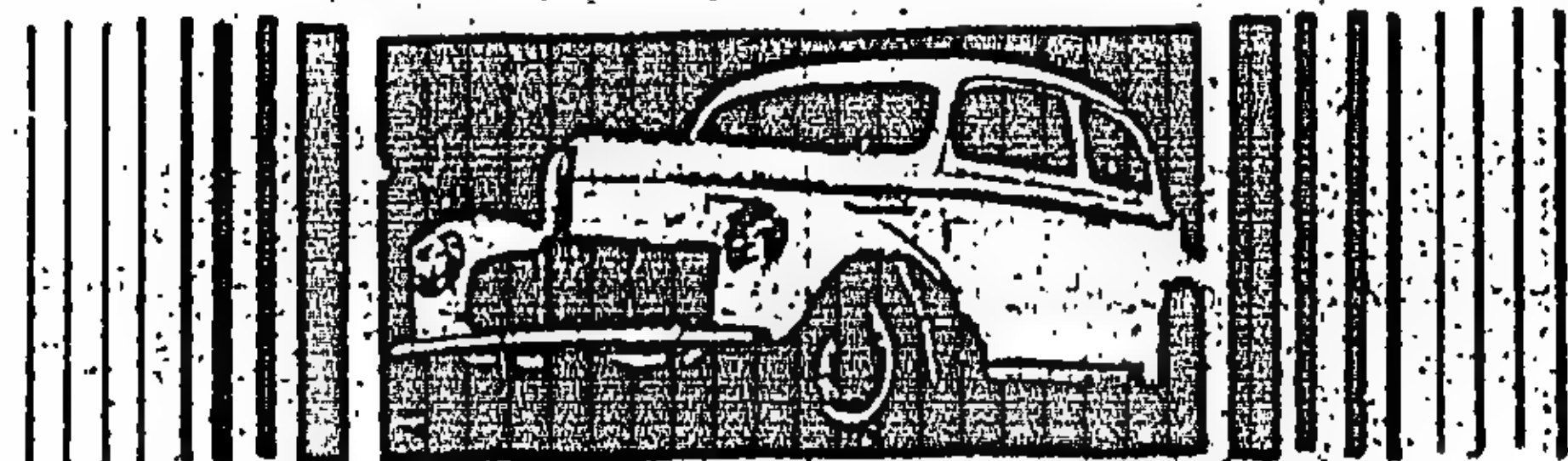
"We went on the shore and within a few hours the place was bombed by German planes. We realised then that the place we had gone into was full of Germans."

"We went back to the yacht and told Mr. Sparkes. He made for England, to ensure the safety of those whom we had already rescued."

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C. B. BROWN,

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Hong Kong, 14th October, 1940.

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BRIDGE NOTES

(By The Four Aces)

TOO MANY TRUMPS

West doubled South because he felt sure that his trump, length would prevent South from getting very far. As it turned out, however, West's very length in trumps paved the way to his undoing.

North, Dealer

North-South vulnerable

♠ 8 4
♥ K 4
♦ K J 9 5 3
♣ K J 8 4

♠ Q J 9 5
♥ Q J 9 7 5
♦ 8 7
♣ 7 5

♠ 7 3
♥ —
♦ A Q 10 6
♣ 4 2

♠ A K 10 6 2
♥ A 10 8 6 3 2
♦ —
♣ A 10

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
Pass	Pass	1♥	Pass.
2♦	Pass	2♠	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♥	Pass	Pass	Dbl.
Pass	Pass	Redbl.	Pass

West opened the eight of diamonds, and South ruffed with a low trump. A low trump to dummy's King's disclosed the bad trump break, and South decided to risk another diamond ruff, hoping that West would not over-ruff. The ruff got by, and South next cashed the top spades and ruffed a low spade in the dummy.

Declarer was neither surprised nor discomfited to see that West had spade length as well as trump length. He simply cashed the King and Ace of clubs; then he led a spade, giving the lead to West. With only trumps left, West was obliged to lead that suit to South, allowing Declarer to make two more tricks to fulfill his contract.

The bidding should have warned West that South had eleven cards in the major suits and that there were not likely to be defensive tricks in the minors. Far from being inclined to double on the basis of his length in the majors, West should have foreseen that he would eventually be forced to lead trumps to South. His foolish penalty double was justly punished by South's redouble.

Last Monday, October 14, you were David Bruce Burnstone's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

♠ Q 8 5
♥ 9 6
♦ 8 4
♣ K 9 7 6 5 3

The bidding:

Burnstone Jacoby You Schenken
1♠ 2♠ (?)

ANSWER: Pass. You can probably defeat two clubs, but a rescue in one of the red suits is inevitable. A double, therefore, is pointless and may encourage your partner to double a diamond or heart contract.

Score 100% for pass, 40% for two spades, 20% for double.

QUESTION NO. 541

To-day you are Oswald Jacoby's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you hold:

♠ 7 5 3 2
♥ 8 6 4
♦ 9 7 3
♣ 8 5 2

The bidding:

Schenken Jacoby Moler You
1♥ Dbl. Pass (?)

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

(Released by The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

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Minimum prices paid to farmers for seeds of sugar beet, mangolds, rape, awedes and turnips of the 1941 crop have been increased in an effort to secure sufficient acreage to make up for the deficiency in imports from countries from which supplies are no longer available. The increase has been agreed to by the seed trade after consultation with the National Farmers' Union. Both the union and the trade are anxious to establish seed growing in this country on a permanent basis.



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MAGISTRATE NOT BIASED

Comments stated to have been made by Mr. Basil Watson, the North London magistrate, in a case against two women were criticised in a King's Bench Divisional Court. The court refused to prohibit him from further hearing the case.

Mr. D. N. Pitt, K.C., appearing for Miss Cora Boses, 42, a clerk, and Miss Gertrude Mosses, 45, a Post Office worker, moved for an order against Mr. Watson. The allegation was that he had shown bias which deprived him of jurisdiction.

The women, said counsel, were delivering political leaflets in an Islington road on June 29, and were charged because a breach of the peace might have been caused.

Dismissing the application, with costs, Mr. Justice Humphreys said there was no ground for saying that the magistrate was biased. Mr. Justice Hilbery and Mr. Justice Croom-Johnson concurred.

SOLDIERS' PAY FOR OBJECTORS

Conscientious objectors in Bath Council's employ are to have their service terminated and to be re-engaged at the same rate of pay as a serving soldier, plus £1 a week billeting allowance. Slough Borough Council are to give leave of absence without pay to any member of the staff registering as an objector.

DR. CULLIS TO ADDRESS NURSES

A special meeting has been arranged at the Cathedral Hall at 5.40 p.m., on Monday, in order that the V.A.D., A.N.S. and staff nurses of various hospitals in Hong Kong can have an opportunity of meeting Professor Winifred Cullis, C.B.E., who is particularly interested in the work of nurses.

Professor Cullis will give an address on food values, which should be helpful, especially at this time when a possible blockade would make a right combination of the foods available in the Colony of great importance.

It has been regretfully recognised that a number of those who would like to attend cannot do so on account of duties elsewhere and because of examinations which are being held at that hour, but it appears the same difficulty would be present at any other time. It is, therefore, hoped that all those who are not actually on duty on Monday, will make a special effort to attend the meeting.



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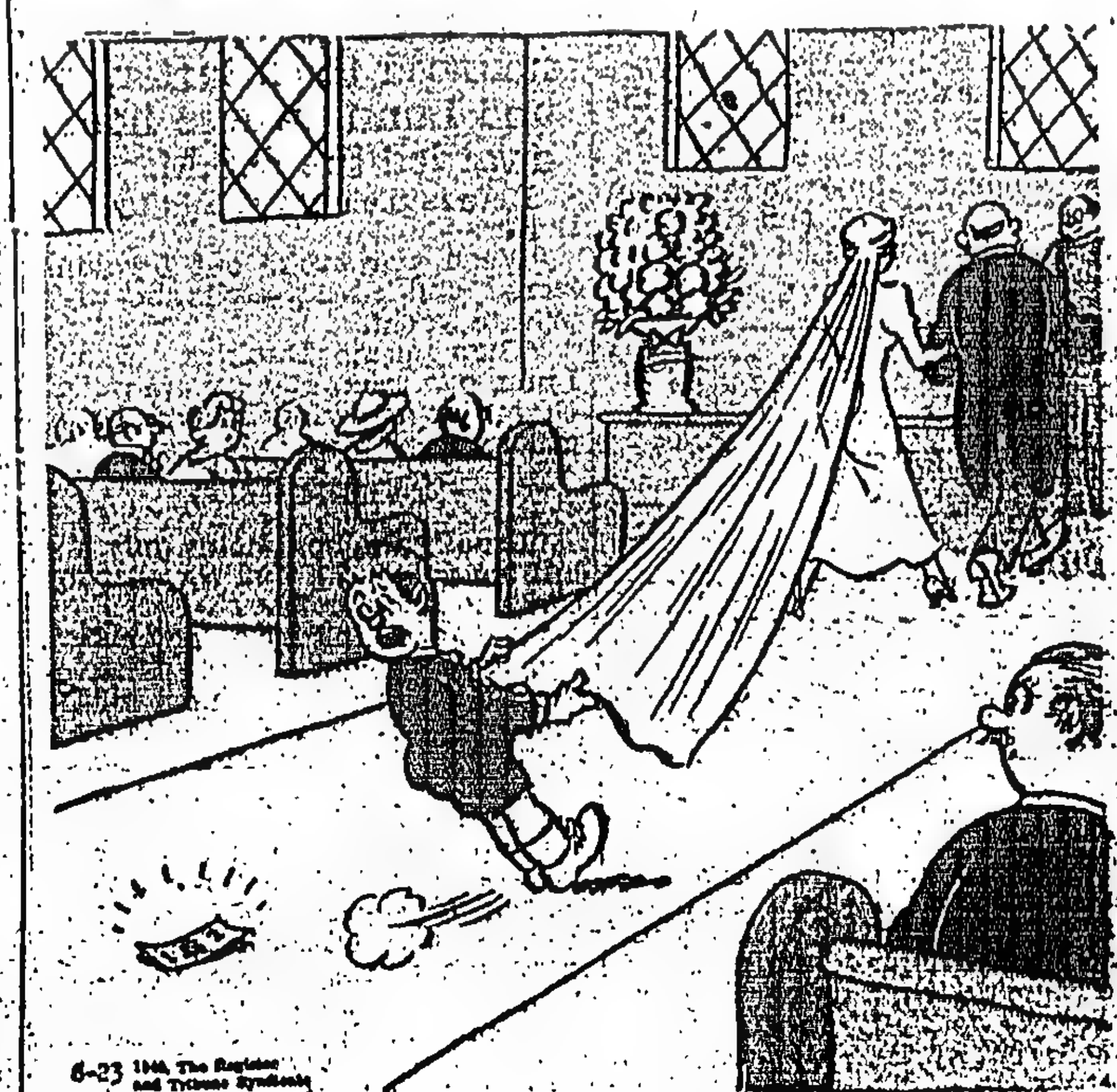
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OFF THE RECORD

By ED REED.



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JAPANESE DOUBLE SUICIDE

Sadakichi Nakamura, 40, who returned to Japan several months ago from the China front, where he had been serving since the beginning of the China Emergency, and his wife Tokiko, 24, were found murdered at their home near the Shioya Country Club, Shiyova, in the suburbs of Kobe, recently. The discovery was indirectly made by a bill collector. He found the doors and the windows tightly closed, despite the hour. He also noticed a putrid smell. Hence he immediately notified an officer at the police box near by.

STANDARDISED WEDDING RING?

British Jeweller's Associations are discussing a standard wedding ring for war time, and are trying to decide on a maximum weight. A well-known jeweller commented "Women attach more importance to their wedding rings than to any jewellery, so it is difficult to make all rings the same weight."

"Some prefer light plain gold rings, some platinum or platinum-lined ones, some hand-engraved rings with orange blossom and a message, many other the heavy gold band."

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An arrangement has been made between the London breweries that if one is bombed and cannot brew, the others will take over its commitments until brewing is again possible. As a result, every public-house tied to a London brewery will receive supplies, no matter what happens. There is no suggestion of pooling beer, or of having a standard grade. Crops are likely to prove good and supplies up to normal.

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SAPPING FRENCH MORALE HAD GONE ON FOR YEARS

(By WILLIAM HENRY CHAMBERLIN)

IT WAS NOT ONLY with tanks and aeroplanes that Germany crushed France last May and June. A systematic, methodical, ingenious campaign for sapping and undermining French national morale had been under way for years before the outbreak of hostilities.

It is not yet possible to write the full history of this German propaganda offensive. Revelations of the activities of Herr Hitler's "fifth column" in France have been scanty and fragmentary. And the men who are now in control of the French Government at Vichy are not likely to open this question, if only because some of them were unconsciously playing the German game.

But in main outline the German methods and the German objectives were fairly clear to one who, like the writer, lived in France during the pre-war and war period. The objective was to keep French public opinion divided, to cause a state of public opinion which would be adverse to any opposition to German expansionist plans in Eastern Europe, to see to it that if France, contrary to Germany's hopes, should begin hostilities, it would enter the war so half-heartedly as to be an easy victim of the first hard blow.

The methods were varied. Money was spent freely where it was expected to do the most good, in corrupting authors, journalists, molders of public opinion. The corruption did not always, perhaps, did not usually assume the form of crude bribery.

But in the years before the war the German Propaganda Ministry ran up a sizable bill in financing trips of French groups and individuals to Germany, in promoting German translations of the works

of French authors who were little known in their own country, in filtering into French high society polished and cultivated agents who knew the psychology and prejudices of the French aristocracy and wealthy classes and exploited these prejudices for Germany's ends.

These agents played down the social leveling, revolutionary, anti-religious tendencies of the Nazi movement. The represented Herr Hitler as a force for law and order, a man who had suppressed bolshevism in Germany and only wanted an opportunity to fight bolshevism in Russia.

This propaganda fell on especially sympathetic ears during the period of the Popular Front when the French bourgeoisie lived in a genuine, if highly exaggerated apprehension of social revolution at home, stimulated by the social and civil war that was proceeding in Spain, at France's very doors.

Abetz And His Methods

Apparently, the most important, most successful of these German agents was one Otto Abetz, a personal friend of Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop. Herr Abetz travelled constantly between Paris and Berlin and figured prominently in the celebration of the Franco-German non-aggression agreement of December, 1938, when the Munich policy may be considered to have reached its height.

He succeeded in establishing a Franco-German society, ostensibly for purposes of cultural contact.

This organisation, however, languished and disappeared from public view after the beginning of the strained era in Franco-German relations which set in after Herr Hitler's occupation of Prague in March, 1939.

Early in July Herr Abetz received not a formal expulsion order, but a request to leave France, and the requests of the German Embassy to have the case reconsidered were refused. Now, however, he has returned to conquered France as German Ambassador — an insult which the Vichy Government is powerless to resent.

It is not improbable that the elimination of Herr Abetz was connected with the arrest of two

COAST TOWNS' PLIGHT

Mayors, Deputy Mayors and Town Clerks of Kent coast towns discussed in private at Canterbury the effect on their towns of evacuation and the banning of visitors. The object of the meeting was to frame a joint policy for seeking from the Government some form of assistance.

French journalists, Loys Aubin and J. Porrier, who were connected with the prominent newspapers "Le Temps" and "Figaro." The newspapers maintained that these men were not in positions where they could direct editorial policy, but both were apparently under strong suspicion of operating a German slush fund for disposition among needy and unscrupulous writers and journalists.

Matter Was Hushed Up

One of the journalists passed on after his arrest. The whole case, which showed signs of developing into a first rate scandal, was hushed up.

Although Herr Abetz and some of his associates, among whom were two attractive and gifted women, Baroness Von Einem and Princess Hohenlohe, had left France before the beginning of the war, their work left permanent effects. The upper classes of French society were riddled with pessimism and defeatism. When open pro-German propaganda became suspect certain suspicious press organs, such as the periodical "Je Suis Partout" went in for anti-Semitism and anti-British propaganda.

The German "fifth column" in France, hitherto mainly represented in the upper crust of society, received a valuable accession in the French Communists after the conclusion of the Stalin-Hitler Pact of Aug. 23.

How Communists Helped

The Communist Party was outlawed soon after the beginning of the war; but up to the very end of hostilities they were publishing illegal pamphlets, putting out their newspaper "L'Humanite" on secret presses, carrying on whispering campaigns among the workers and the poorer classes generally. The Communists may have believed that they were acting in the interests of social revolution.

The German propaganda campaign in France was based on thorough, accurate and exhaustive knowledge of the moods and tendencies in French public opinion, from the extreme Right to the extreme Left. A memorandum prepared by a German diplomat named Brautigan, which fell into the hands of the French Government shortly before the beginning of the war, revealed extremely detailed knowledge of all the groups which, for the greatest variety of reasons, could be counted on to work against a united war effort.

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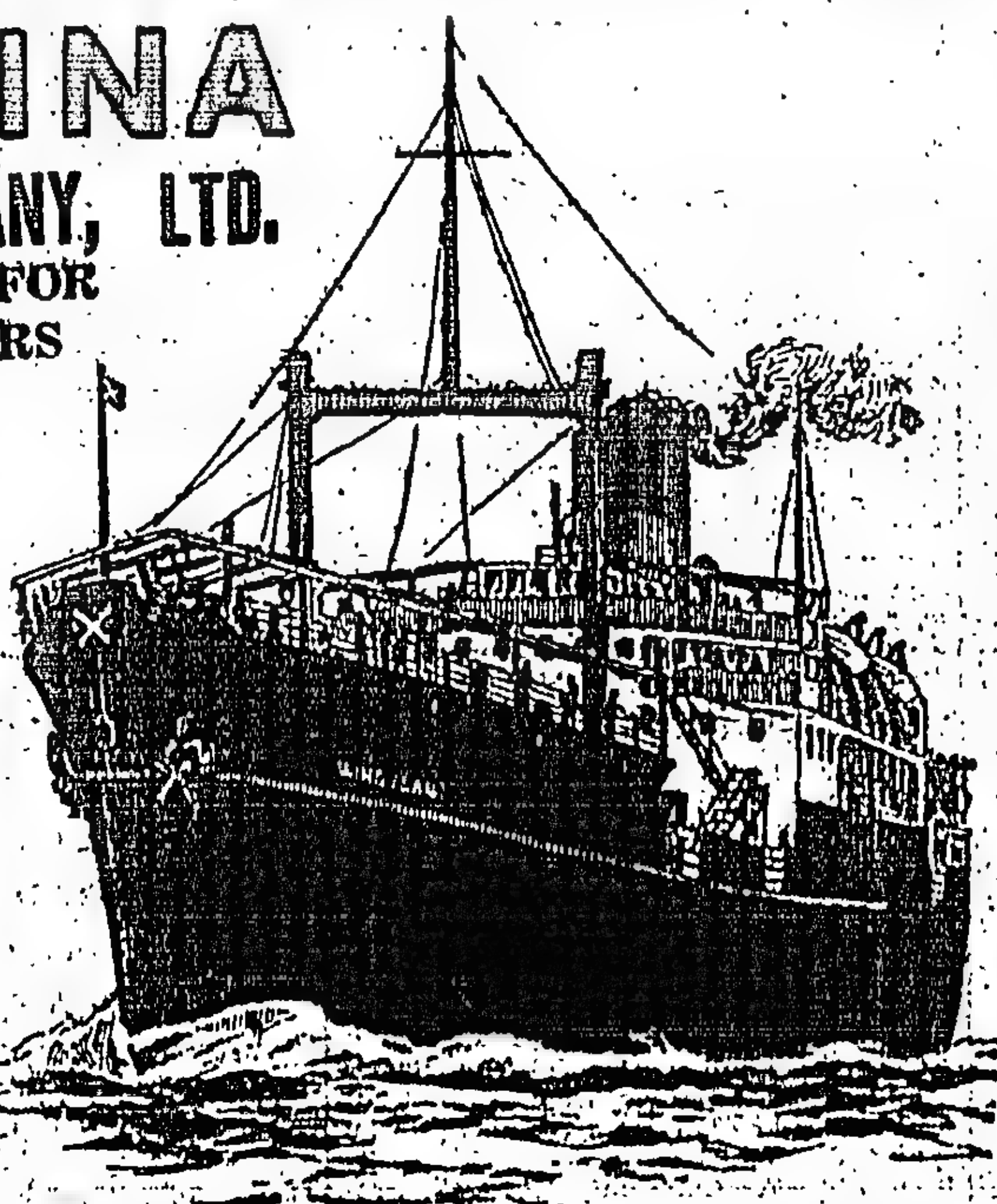
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12.30 p.m.—Two Brahms' Songs by Maria Olszowska (Contralto).
12.36 p.m.—Brahms—Sonata No. 3 in D Minor, Op. 108, Joseph Szigeti (Violin) and Egon Petri (Piano).
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Harry Roy's Riger-Ragmuffins.
1.15 p.m.—Hawaiian Waltzes.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press: Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.45 p.m.—Duke Ellington and His Orchestra in Dance Music.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6.00 p.m.—Damia and Charles Trenet in a Light French Programme.
6.28 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.
6.30 p.m.—Jack Harris & His Orchestra.
7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
7.15 p.m.—London Relay—Topical Talks.
7.30 p.m.—Humorous Variety Programme, with Grace Fields, Arthur Askey & Richard Murdoch, The Two Leslies, and Nellie Wallace.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Light Orchestral with Margaret Speaks (Soprano) and Tudor Davies (Tenor).
8.30 p.m.—Haydn—Symphony No. 101 in D Minor (The "Clock"). Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra of New York conducted by Arturo Toscanini.
9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and News Commentaries.
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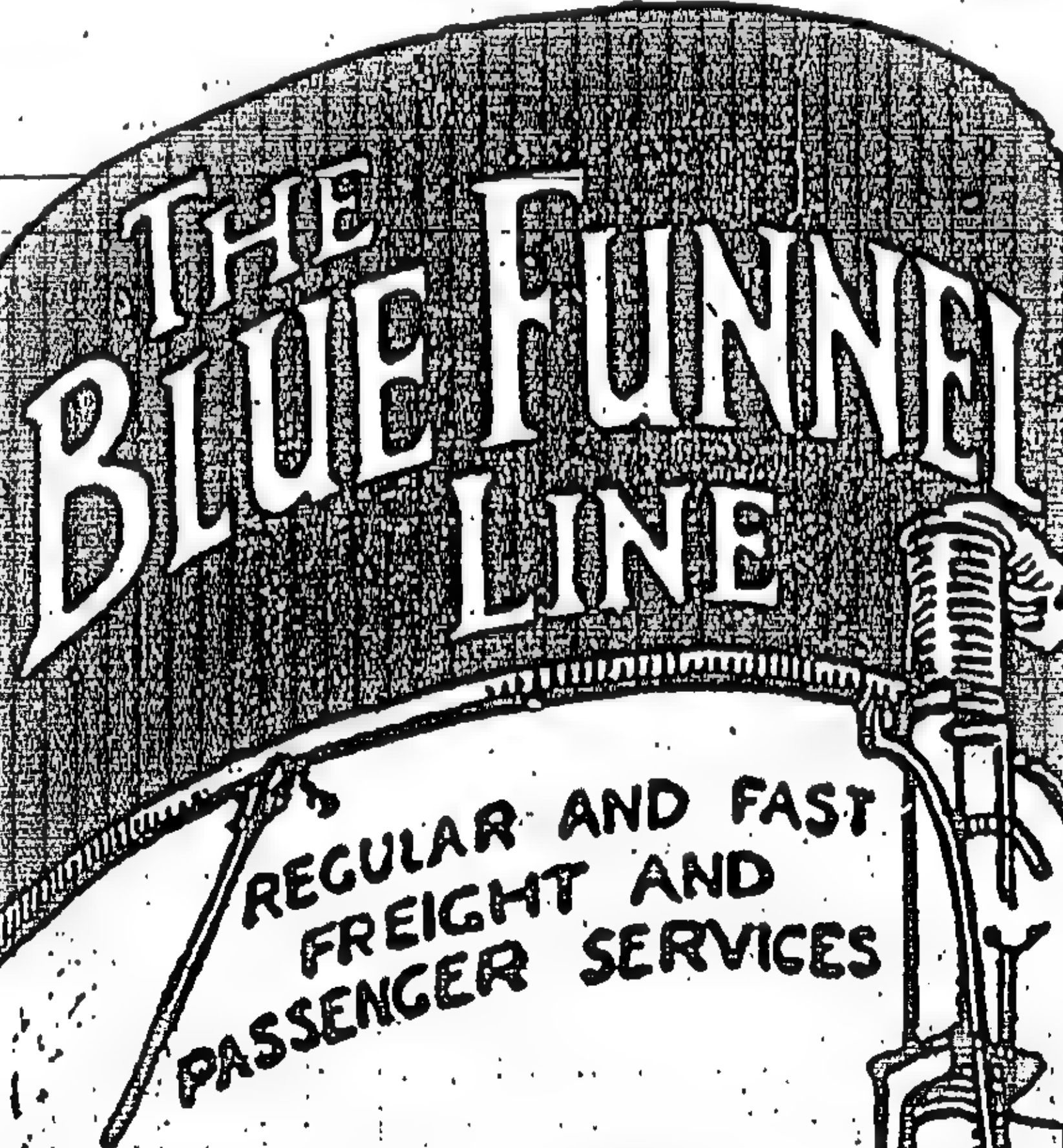
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LAWN BOWLS NOTES

End Of Season Atmosphere Marks Closing Bowls Games

Champions Have One Or Two Anxious Moments

Omar's Late Spate Of Scoring Against Eccleshall

By "Skip"

THERE WAS A DISTINCT END OF THE SEASON ATMOSPHERE ABOUT THE THREE LEAGUE BOWLS MATCHES WHICH WERE PLAYED ON SATURDAY, NOT ONLY AS REGARDS THE PLAY, WHICH SEEMED TO ME TO BE MORE JOVIAL THAN USUAL, BUT ALSO AS FAR AS THE COMPOSITION OF THE TEAMS WAS CONCERNED.

Craigengower, for instance, had three comparative strangers in their team against the Civil Servants, whose turn-out was but a shadow of its former self.

The ultimate result was a foregone conclusion but I was surprised at the huge margin in favour of the Craigengower team, which led by over 40 shots when rain drove the players to shelter at about the 17th end, when the visitors wisely decided to forfeit the points. They had about as much chance of winning the game as you or I have of drawing even a starter in the big sweep to-morrow!

Points Conceded

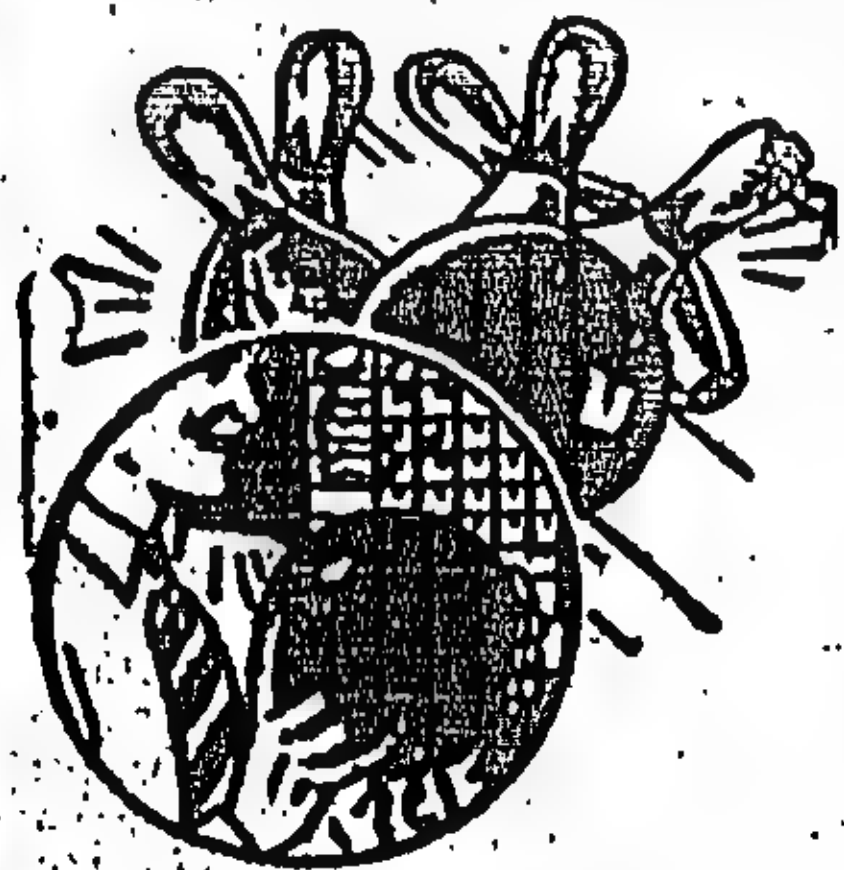
In Second Division, Civil Servants, owing to the call on their first team, were unable to play Kowloon Football Club and they conceded the points to Kowloon Football Club, thereby ensuring the latter being runners-up, a position which they secure by reason of having a better shots-up average than Taikoo, who had the same number of points.

The scores in the Craigengower and Civil Service match were even for the first four ends but a seven to Dick Basa at the next head commenced a general blitzkrieg.

It was not a very brilliant head, the woods being fairly scattered and Dick Basa, in trying to add three bottles of John Haig, trailed the kitty slightly, bringing a back wood into the count but deleting one which was a little short.

Basa had been drawing well throughout whilst Coates was also good. Penney found Jimmy Gelatly off form so it sounds hardly just to say that he beat him easily: actually the home lead was excellent.

Jones was again the outstanding player on the visiting side which secured a very good six shortly after the above big count, to take the lead momentarily but they eventually finished eight to the bad.



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Eccleshall was only four, down to Omar after eleven heads but the home four then went mad and added no less than 22 shots without reply in the next seven ends!

Patchy Seven

A patchy seven was included in this dramatic scoring, three or four woods being in close proximity to the Jack, others rather scattered. The target tempted the visiting three and skip to drive, the homesters meanwhile piling them up.

Joe Landolt, making his debut as a skip, had a more even tussle with Jack Hollidge but a brace of threes towards the finish gave him a seven-shot win.

The Champions had a few anxious moments before eventually overcoming Kowloon Dock by 20, gaining 15 of these in the last four ends to bring home the bacon.

They scored two fives in these last four heads, Raoul Luz scoring one of these at the last head, to tie Bob Morrison who had held the vein all the way.

It was a good five on the whole, though the home side should have saved. F. X. Soares, who had a good struggle with Alec Calman as lead, lay one shot. Alves added a couple and Jackie Noronha blocked one hand first, then drew another to which Luz added.

Bob Morrison, like Houston, played an excellent game throughout, so it seems hard, though just, to say that he failed badly to save, both his heavyish woods being narrow.

I seem to have put the cart before the horse in describing this last head, as the very first end on this rink was what might almost be called an exhibition head.

The Head

I must give it in detail. Calman drew one two feet from the jack, Soares coming in off it for a touch, but not a sitter. Calman trailed for the shot, Soares promoted his own to rob him again. McMaster trailed once more, Dick Alves knocked Soares in for shot and lay two, but Houston promoted McMaster's wood with his first then drew another. Luz was narrow, Morrison made it three and with Luz repeating his previous error, Morrison—well, what would you do!

The standard of bowls was high all through on this rink, as it was in the game between Spuggy and McKelvie, the latter showing vastly improved form compared with his game against Joe Fraser who, I am told, outbowed him the previous Saturday.

Charlie Silva proved to be the sheet anchor of his side and was always prominent, his opponent R. Lapsley junior, being rather off his usual game. But "old" Bob put in some nice shots though he was not consistent.

Carlos Silva always had an edge on Johnny Kempton's four but it needed a strong finish to win by 10 shots.

Although not playing quite up to his reputation early on, he had a great drive, at the eighth head, carrying the jack into the dyke for a couple when the enemy lay that number.

"CHINA MAIL" CUP

WEEK-END MATCHES

Following is the list of week-end matches of the preliminary round of the bowls competition for the "China Mail" Challenge Cup:

At Recrelo:—No. 2 Coy. "D" v 1st Battery "B" at 4 p.m. (Winner to play No. 5 "B" in next round).

At Kowloon C.C.:—No. 2 Coy. "A" v 1st Battery "A" at 4 p.m. (Winner to play No. 3 "B" in next round).

At Kowloon F.C.:—A. S. C. Coy. "A" v No. 2 Coy. "C" at 10 a.m. (Winner to play A.S.C. "B" in next round).

FIRST ROUND

At Kowloon Bowling Green:—No. 2 Coy. "B" v Stanley "A" at 10 a.m.

SECOND ROUND

At Recrelo:—Field Engineers "C" v Field Ambulance "A" at 10 a.m.

At Kowloon Bowling Green:—Field Engineers "A" v Stanley "B" at 10 a.m.

At Kowloon C.C.:—Field Ambulance "B" v 2nd Battery at 10 a.m.

RAKUSEN AND OMAR IN SEMI-FINALS

At Club de Recrelo yesterday, U. M. Omar (holder) and M. N. Rakusen entered the Semi-Finals of the Open Singles Lawn Bowls competition when they beat A. Hyde-Lay and T. Madar respectively.

Hyde-Lay led Omar at the 13th head by 12 shots to 5 but did not score after, that while Omar registered two threes and three twos to win at the 21st head by 21-12.

Head	U. M. Omar	A. Hyde-Lay
Shots	Total	Shots Total
1	0	1
2	0	1
3	0	1
4	1	1
5	0	1
6	0	1
7	1	2
8	2	4
9	0	4
10	1	5
11	0	5
12	0	5
13	0	5
14	2	7
15	3	10
16	2	12
17	1	13
18	1	14
19	2	16
20	1	17
21	1	18
22	3	21

MADAR ALWAYS TRAILING

T. A. Madar was always trailing behind M. N. Rakusen and at the 15th head was being led by 13-6. A possible at the next head brought him within striking distance but he was only able to score three singles on the remaining heads. Rakusen won at the 24th head by 22-13.

Head	M. N. Rakusen	T. Madar
Shots	Total	Shots Total
1	0	1
2	0	1
3	0	2
4	0	2
5	1	3
6	1	4
7	2	6
8	0	6
9	2	8
10	1	9
11	0	9
12	0	9
13	2	11
14	1	12
15	1	13
16	0	13
17	0	13
18	1	14
19	0	14
20	2	16
21	0	16
22	1	17
23	3	20
24	3	22

VOLUNTEER RINKS PLAY TRUE TO FORM

By "Skip"

THE FIRST matches in the "China Mail" Challenge Cup, were played on Sunday morning and were accompanied by plenty of enthusiasm, a vast amount of jocularity—and a few noggins!

All games were timed to commence at 10 a.m. and players were on the whole quite punctual, especially considering that the Aquatic Sports had been held the previous evening!

As only one of my forecasts went wrong, it can be said that the teams played to form although the magnitude of the wins was in some cases astounding. No. 5 Company's second string skipped by Capt. Botelho, for instance, simply trouncing "Busty" Bower's "B" rink from No. 1 Company. Only a couple to the bad when I left the battle-field at the 12th head, the losers collapsed completely subsequently and were able to chalk up only two more shots to their opponents' 23. This margin of 23 was also enjoyed by Field Company Engineers, who opposed Mobile Column "A" skipped by Lt. K. C. Hamilton of Kowloon Bowling Green Club third team. But three Second League players, in Castro, Howard and Bill Simpson proved too much for them.

Strong Combination

Second Battery also scored 23 on the adjoining rink, at Kowloon Dock but Lt. "Billy" Alves' four were able to collect a dozen shots against them.

The winners are a very strong combination and will go far, I think.

Fortress Signals were without Charlie Needham, who was sick, and his place was taken at the last minute by Capt. W. C. Clark. As the latter had not, I believe, previously played in Hong Kong, the team did exceptionally well to score on 10 of the heads, although admittedly they totalled only 11 shots against a Field Engineer Coy. team from Kowloon Docks.

I should say that one of the best heads of the day was when No. 1-Company "C" team scored a perfect five against Pay Section.

Down by 20/3 at that stage, two shots were against them when L/C. King trailed beautifully and was immediately promoted to Captain by the spectators on the bank. He then lay two shots and on adding another one, a perfect draw, he attained Field rank, whilst Pte. Anderson piled in a couple more for which he received a stripe each!

But I am afraid you will have to look at this week's orders to see if the promotions have been confirmed!

The Pay Section of course, ran out winners, Tribble being excellent as lead and the second man putting in some "dandy" shots (joke).

Biggest Upset

Tommy Madar, skipping No. 3 Coy.'s "B" team, secured that Company's only win, in opposition to their "C" outfit, as Teddy Fincher, skipping their premier four, unexpectedly lost to the Field Ambulance's best rink. This formed the biggest upset of the day to my mind.

Mobile Column had a lead on A.S.C. Coy. "B" for a few ends but once Charlie Rosset's men had got in front there was no holding them and they won by over a dozen. Capt. Filippance was in good form as lead, whilst Lt. Stoker played some good shots in the early stages but did not keep up the good work.

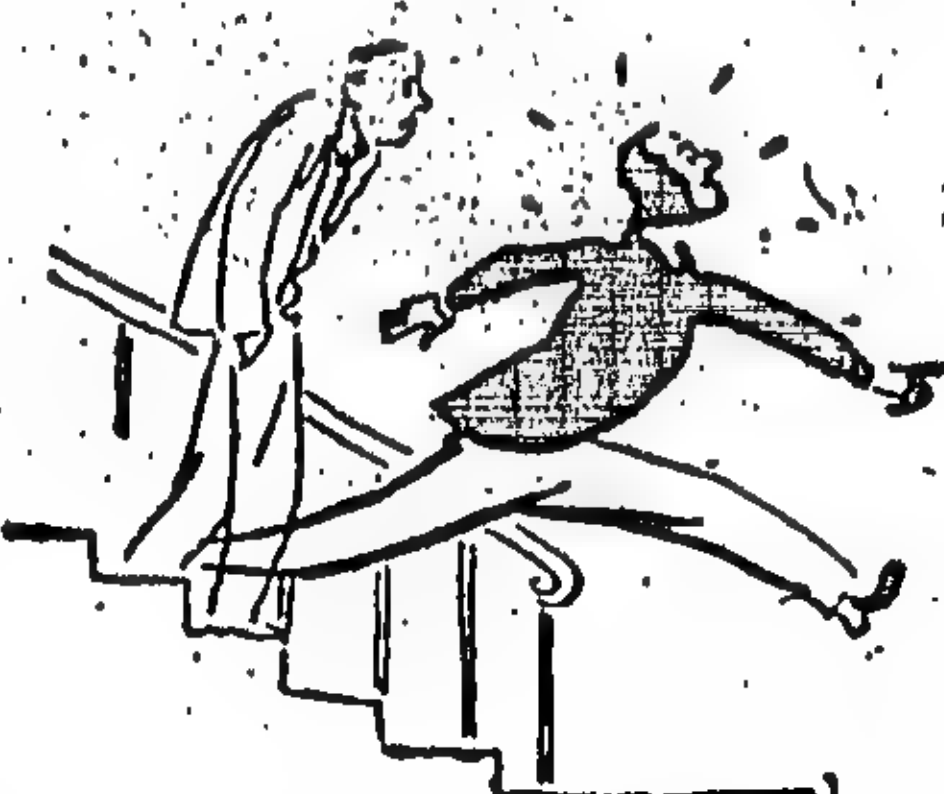


No. 6 Company's "B" team had the audacity to begin their scoring against their "A" rink with a nap hand and Chico Ribeiro's men did not recover until the seventh head from which stage they handed it out to their juniors.

Fourth Battery proved no match for Field Ambulance "B", whilst I could not help thinking, from what little I saw of the game, that Carlos Silva's "A" team from No. 5, were playing with that same Company's "D" team, in much the same way as a cat plays with a mouse! Otherwise the scores would not have been nearly so close.

It is noteworthy that all the Field Company Engineers' teams won their games, although the "A" rink skipped by Spary had a very close struggle with the premier four from No. 1 Company, whose representatives all lost, I may add.

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O-LAN FAVOURED TO WIN TO-MORROW'S BIG EVENT

Gay Star Likely To Be Biggest Menace

Viceroy And Brown Derby The Likely Key To Daily Double

By "Rapier"

Given fine weather again, there is every reason to anticipate a large gathering at the Ninth Extra Race Meeting, which will be held to-morrow at Happy Valley. There are eight events on the programme, main attractions being the Hong Kong Griffins Cup and the Kwangtung Handicap for "C" Class China ponies from the two-mile post once round and in. A Special Dollar Cash Sweep has reached about \$350,000 and the first prize will be around \$148,960.00.

Mr. V. V. Needa has returned North and will not be back in time for the meeting to-morrow.

RACE NO. 1.—HONG KONG GRIFFINS CUP, 1 1/4 MILES

The day's programme opens with the principal event of the day, the Hong Kong Griffins Cup over the Champions distance. It is a handicap event for China ponies, griffins of this season that have started in at least three Extra Meetings.

After its second placing behind Eve of Harvest in the October Handicap at the last meeting, O-Lan (Mr. Sung) seems to be the logical bet, but it must be remembered, however, that it will be carrying 12 lb. more than its last outing. Distinctive Time (Mr. Wei), which won the Double Tenth Plate last Thursday, has been given another 16 lb. to handle, and in view of the distance, I think the best it can do is to be placed, Gay Star, which won the Austin Handicap (first section) carrying 166 lb., has been promoted to "A" Class. It will be carrying 151 lb. to-morrow, and in view of the good time which it previously returned this pony is the real danger, and will probably command strong support if again ridden by Mr. Tao. Then there are Grether and Johnher, both with recommendations based on past results. I am inclined, however, to nominate O-Lan to win, with Gay Star second and Distinctive Time third.

RACE NO. 2.—NULLAH HANDICAP, ONE MILE

This race is confined to first section "B" Class Australian ponies. For its win in the Cantala Handicap over 1 1/4 miles, Springhurst (Mr. Poy) has been penalised 6 lb., but as the distance is shorter I think the extra weights will not hamper its chances of winning again. Contact (Mr. Davis), which ran unplaced in the Australian Ponies Autumn Plate (1 1/4 miles), did not compete at the last meeting and I believe that this pony will give Springhurst a good fight for first position. If it does not actually win, Flying Dutchman (Mr. P. P. Botello) was an also-ran when Springhurst won, but as the distance is only a mile I think it should do better. Fair Chance (Mr. Proulx) was most unreliable at the last two meetings so that I am afraid to recommend it for a win. Franklyn (Mr. Chao) may find the distance to its liking and, given a runaway lead, it should be near at the finish. Criffel will have a change of jockey in Mr. Craven, and, judging from their workout in morning exercise, I believe it will have something to say at the finish. However, taking everything into consideration, I nominate Springhurst to win with Contact second and Criffel third.

RACE NO. 3.—WERRIBEE HANDICAP, ABOUT ONE MILE 151 YARDS

Novice jockeys are here given an opportunity of riding Australian ponies for the first time, and it will be interesting to see how well they can handle such fast mounts. Catterick Bridge has been given top-weight of 165 lb. for coming in second to Warrego River in the Williamstown Handicap over the mile at the last meeting, but as this pony is not dependable I am afraid I cannot recommend it for a win, although it is the best amongst this bunch of ponies. Under Mr. Cooper, Quick Despatch

stands the best chance of winning as this pony came in third in the Canberra Plate over the mile a week ago last Thursday. Tarzan was fourth in the Williamstown Handicap (one mile), and as it will be taken out by its owner-jockey, (Mr. Hoo Pak-ming), again it should have a say here if it is not allowed to take too great a lead at the start. Mr. S. W. Lee has three ponies in Forehand Drive, Lovely Kid and Winnie to choose from, and whichever one he decides to ride should be prominent at the finish. There is also Colorado Star (Mr. Sequeira) to be reckoned with, as this pony was third in the above race, ridden by Mr. Davis. I expect Quick Despatch to win with Tarzan second and Colorado Star third.

RACE NO. 4.—WYNDBHAM HANDICAP, 1 1/4 MILES

This race will be contested by "B" Class China ponies. Judging from its last run behind Gay Star, Rose Emily (Mr. Poy) has been given another 7 lb. to handle, and as the distance is longer it will probably win this race. Mr. Wei has two ponies to choose from in Conquering Time and Red Feather, and I expect him to take out the latter as it is better over this distance. Mr. Black will take out Avon instead of Bear Claw and, although it ran unplaced the last time out, when carrying 168 lb., it should do better here with only 145 lb. to take care of. King Kong lost to Peaceful View by a neck in the Austin Handicap (second section) and has its weight reduced by 14 lb. It should have a say here if taken out by a strong riding jockey. Jobber will again be ridden by Mr. Chao and it allowed to take a big lead, it will not be too easy to overhaul. Lilliber, which went lame during the Annual Meeting, has been in training again, and although it seems to be looking well, I am afraid it has not done sufficient track-work to win this race. Humdrum Eve (Mr. Ph) is also a dangerous contender, on account of its light weight of 144 lb. I think the first position will be fought out between Rose Emily and Red Feather, with the third place very open.

RACE NO. 5.—MOORE PARK HANDICAP, SIX FURLONGS

This is the first leg of the "Daily Double", and will be contested by "A" Class Australian ponies with a proviso that winners of \$2,000 or more in stakes since 1st January, 1940, are barred. Viceroy, although recently promoted from "B" Class, with Mr. Black up, is my choice, which is based on the performance when it won the Vacluse Handicap over six furlongs at the 7th Extra Meeting. The danger, of course, is Lancashire Chips (Mr. Wei), which has always been placed over this distance. Courting Eve (Mr. Ph), although carrying top-weight of 165 lb., should not be overlooked as this pony is joint holder of the record with its stable mate, Far View, over this distance. Concliber, which came in third at the 7th Extra Meeting in the Australian Ponies Autumn Plate, may give a better account of itself on Saturday if again ridden by Mr. Hearn. Many Thanks, if taken out by Mr. Davis, to-morrow, should be prominent at the finish as it is quite capable of extending the above ponies. I think Viceroy

will win with Lancashire Chips second and Courting Eve third. For a long shot I recommend keeping Devonian in mind. It will be ridden by Mr. Trevorton and has only 135 lb. to carry.

RACE NO. 6.—BALLARAT HANDICAP, ONE AND A QUARTER MILES

In this event, for "C" Class Australian ponies, I don't think I shall be far wrong in stating that the finish will be confined to: Venus Bay (Mr. Sung), Warrego River (Mr. Black), Shuttlecock (Mr. Hearn), Piccadilly Jim (Mr. Poy), Venus Bay, which won the Canberra Plate over the mile a week ago last Thursday, has been penalised 10 lb. but, although the distance is longer, I think it still stands a good chance of repeating its last success. Warrego River won the Williamstown Handicap over the same distance on the first day of the 8th Extra Meeting, and it has been penalised by 5 lb. It should be very near at the finish if it does not win. Shuttlecock lost to Brown Derby in the Katoomba Handicap over the two-mile post distance and as it is carrying another 10 lb. its chance of winning is rather remote, as the distance is probably against it. Piccadilly Jim was third in the race with Shuttlecock, and as it has been penalised by only 3 lb. and the distance is longer it should offer stern opposition to the first two above-mentioned ponies.

I like Warrego River better than the other two ponies.

RACE NO. 7.—NULLAH NULLAH HANDICAP, (SECOND SECTION), ONE MILE

Those who succeed in the first leg will be presented with a real problem in making the right connection in this race, the second leg of the "Daily Double." The ponies taking part are from the second section "B" Class Australian ponies. Brown Derby (Mr. Black) was in the "C" Class, when it won the Katoomba Handicap over the two-mile post distance, carrying 162 lb., and it won with plenty to spare. I think it will find good support against the "B" Class ponies, and I am of the opinion that this pony is good enough to win again. However, there is A Roaring Time (Mr. Wei) to be reckoned with as this pony was fourth in the Cantala Handicap over 1 1/4 miles on the first day of the 8th Extra Meeting and with a shorter distance it should prove a real menace to Brown Derby for first position. Derby Day (Mr. Hearn) and Pumpernickel (Mr. Tao) are very fast sprinters, but I doubt if they will last the mile. There are Happy Landings (Mr. Davis) and Wintred (Mr. Ph), two old stalwarts, to think of, as both of them are quite capable of upsetting calculations. I am, however, inclined to nominate Brown Derby to win, with A Roaring Time second and Happy Landings third. Wintred is the outsider in this race.

RACE NO. 8.—KWANGTUNG HANDICAP, ABOUT ONE MILE 151 YARDS

The biggest field of the day will turn out here, if all accept, but I doubt if we have enough jockeys to meet the demand. This is a forced entry race for "C" Class China ponies with no entrance fee. The Special Dollar Sweep will depend on the result of this race. Thirty Six (Mr. Hearn) has been penalised 20 lb. for coming in second in the first section of the Yunnan Handicap. I doubt very much whether it can win with this extra weight, and the best it can do will be place again. Victoria (Mr. Ph), winner of the second section of the above handicap carrying 150 lb., has been allotted 11 lb. more, but as it was not then extended it should win again. Eve of Dancing, which won the Carnarvon Stakes over the mile with Mr. Wood up, has gone up 9 lb. and if again ridden by the same rider will have 5 lb. allowance. These two combined well and should not be disregarded. Eve of Hunting, which won the Human Handicap (first section) over 1 1/4 miles last Thursday, will be taken out by Mr. Black and, in view of its easy win with Mr. Craven on top, it should be worth following. Taxing Master (Mr. Tao) ran unplaced the last time out, but this should not be taken as an indication that the pony is unable to last out the dis-

BOWLING ALLEY JOTTINGS

By "STRIKE"

THERE was quite a useful game of Ten Pins played in the Alleys on Friday between Joe Harvey and his Asheville Boys against a representative team from the Alleys.

C.P.O. Merkel deputised for Harmon of Asheville, who was unavoidably absent, but retired after the second game and C.P.O. Wood completed the remaining three games.

There was no doubt about the superiority of the Alley Team for they won by 399 pins, the individual scores being as follows:

ALLEY TEAM	ASHEVILLE
J. H. Watts, 878	C. J. Fleming, 793
D. Hall, 849	W. J. Balaski, 767
Doc. Molthen, 814	E. L. Wood, 449
S. A. Ismail, 772	Joe Harvey, 734
	G. C. Merkel, 271
3313	3004

Watts, for Alley Team, was again top scorer with a useful 878, or an average of almost 176 pins per game, his consistency was noticeable, his lowest score being 165 and his highest 191.

Mall Does Well

D. Hall, for the Alley Team, did remarkably well, he bagged 849 or an average of 170 pins per game. In the case of this player the feature of his bowling was his wonderful consistency throughout the match, his scores being 166, 166, 168, 167, 182.

Doc. Molthen, for the Alley Team, did not shine as usual, his 814 or an average of 163 per game not representing by any means his usual accomplishment. It seems that he only got going on his third game, when he netted a useful 211, the only score of 200 or over throughout the match.

Ismail, for Alley Team, scored 772 or an average of almost 155 per game. This was quite a useful score.

Fleming, for the Asheville, who was top scorer for his side, almost reached the 800 mark, and would undoubtedly have done so had he not started off with a poor 129 on his first game; as it was, he made a useful 793 or an average of 159 pins per game, and this score went a long way to stave off a bigger defeat.

Balaski for Asheville was lower than his usual, his 737 being about as low as I have seen him do. Again in the case of the veteran Joe Harvey, there was no doubt about his being away off, 734 or an average of 147 pins being about as low as I have ever seen him register for a match game. On the whole, the Alley Team bowled very consistently, the average per game per player working out at almost 166 pins each, while the Asheville were only 150 pins per player per game.

Challenge Match

There was a pairs challenge match arranged on October 14, between C.P.O. Summers partnered by C.P.O. Wood against Balaski and Joe Harvey. The match resulted in a very close win for the former players by 25 pins only. The individual scores were as follows:

E. L. Wood, 808	W. J. Balaski, 814
C. J. Summers, 751	Joe Harvey, 720

Balaski was top scorer with 814 or an average of 163; he might have done better had he not failed on his second game, to make a poor 134. E. L. Wood made second top score with 808 or an average of 162, but again in his case he might have made a much higher score had he not made two low scores of 137 and 144 on his third and fourth games. Both Summers and Harvey were disappointing, Summers 731 or 150 average, being very low for him, while Harvey's 720 or 144 average was exceptionally low for such a player. Keep this pony in mind, as I think it will be near at the finish. Blue Gate will again be Mr. Chao's mount, and as it came in second to Victoria the last time out it may possibly do better to-morrow. It will be recalled that this pony was running strongly going up to the Rock but was then jammed in and was lucky to place. Rose Flana (Mr. Poy) has come down in weight by 18 lb. since coming fourth in the Yunnan Handicap (second section) over the two-mile post distance, and as the pony is looking quite fit just now it can be relied on to give the others a good fight. Victoria should win with Eve of Dancing second and Taxing Master third.

seasoned played. Although he registered the highest score of the match, with a good 199, he failed badly on his second game to make 118, and 124 on his fifth game.

The third match of the 20-game challenge match between Doc. Molthen, partnered by Ernie Hearther, and Cpl. Blount, partnered by Cpl. Watts, was played off on Wednesday, October 17, and again resulted in a win for the former by 84 pins.

The individual scores were as follows:

Hearther, 968	Blount, 929
Molthen, 904	Watts, 879

There was no doubt about the high quality of the scoring from all four players. Watts might have done a little better but his 879 or an average of 176 per game was a good effort spoiled by a very lowly 137 on his fifth game; had he made on his fifth game the average of his first four games, which was 186, his score would have been 928 and would have materially assisted in reducing the deficit for this match. Blount as usual did extraordinary well, his 929 or 186 pins per game being indeed a good effort; he also bagged, during his game, two beautiful scores, 212 on his fourth game and 210 on his fifth game.

Hearther Top-Scorer

Ernie Hearther was easily the top scorer of the match with a brilliant 968 or an average of almost 195 pins per game. Another strike or two in the right place would have made 1,000 or an average of 200 pins per game. He also bagged two 200 scores, 208 on his first game and another 208 on his third game.

Doc. Molthen made a good 904, or an average of 181 pins per game, which materially assisted his partner in the win. I cannot help thinking that these four players would carry all before them if they were in the same team together. I have compiled the total scores of the four players up to the end of the third leg, and it is interesting to note the averages of each; they are as follows:

Ernie Hearther, 2721
(average of 182 pins per game)
Doc. Molthen, 2650
(average of 177 pins per game)

Corp. Blount, 5371
(average of 177 pins per game)
Corp. Watts, 2520
(average of 168 pins per game)

3075

Therefore Hearther and Molthen are in the lead by 190 pins on the third leg. There was quite a keenly contested five-game Ten Pins match between our old friends the Chief Petty Officers of the U.S.S. Asheville, and the Royal Corps of Signals.

It was a return match, the first having been won by the Royal Signals. The match was arranged on the evening of the departure of the Asheville from the Colony and resulted in a wonderfully close finish, of 28 pins in favour of the Asheville. C.P.O.'s, the scores being as follows:

ASHEVILLE C.P.O.	SIGNALS
L. C. Garrett, 852	D. Hall, 856
E. L. Wood, 816	H. Blount, 797
G. C. Merkel, 751	J. H. Watts, 735
W. C. Colley, 611	G. Birkett, 654
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There was no doubt that the C.P.O.'s caught the Royal Signals napping, for, with the exception of L/Cpl. Hall, the rest were away below their usual scores, and were evidently completely off form. L/Cpl. Hall for Royal Signals was top scorer of the match with a good 856 or an average of 171 pins per game; his scoring was noticeable by his consistency, his lowest score being 161 and his highest 192.

L. C. Garrett for the Asheville was a very close second, with 852 or an average of almost 171; this being noteworthy by a magnificent 232 on his first game. Incidentally, this is the record score for the month up to the time of writing these jottings. His score was made up with a spare on his first and second frames; four strikes in a row on his third, fourth, fifth and sixth frames; a spare on his seventh frame; then three more strikes on a row on his eighth, ninth, and tenth frames. It was a really good effort.

C.P.O. Wood for Asheville was third top scorer with 816 or an average of 163 pins per game; this player is getting better and better in each match he plays and I have no doubt that in the near future he will do even better. Blount and Watts for Signals were disappointing, their 737 and 735, respectively being the lowest I ever seen these accomplished bowlers put up. The rest of the players trailed away behind from 611 to 654 or an average of 120 to 131 pins per game. Nevertheless, it was a very enjoyable match and another match against the Signals on their return to Hong Kong will be arranged by Asheville.

ARMY SPORTLIGHT

By "Squaddy"

THE Combined Small Units won the Large Units Water Polo competition by beating the Middlesex Regiment at the Queen's Road Swimming Bath on Tuesday evening, by two goals to one.

The Middies were unfortunate to lose by a penalty goal awarded against Bindon for attempting to obstruct a free throw inside the four yards area.

The Middlesex defence were sound and often broken up the attacking forwards combination, although Hymas was a little inclined to hang on to the ball too long in the second half instead of giving it to his forwards. Bindon was slightly erratic on the wing.

Jennings was the pick of the locers and scored their only goal after a good pass from Bindon, who was attacked by two of the Small Units players on the wing.

The Signals who were representing the Small Units, did not play as well as

Water Polo they usually do, and Macann, who has just come out of hospital, could not stay the pace. Pitcher and Bedford were the pick of the Small Units, and Bennett in goal gave a fine performance.

P.S.M. Ure, the Middies' half-back, played well and did not give Digman much chance throughout the game; he was far above the standard of his other partners.

Digman scored the first goal of the match in the first few moments of the second half, but this was soon equalised by Jennings who scored with a fine shot in the corner of the goal. The winning goal came from Morgan who scored from a penalty throw.

At the conclusion of the game, Colonel Clifford, the President of the Area Aquatics, presented the

Combined Small Units with the Soldiers' Club challenge cup for water polo. The Signals also were presented with cups for being winners of the Small Units water polo competition, and the Combined Small Units also received the Aggregate Cup for Swimming for 1940.

THE Army held its second rugby trial on Tuesday at Sookunpoo and one or two useful players were found.

Lieut. Wedderburn gave an excellent performance at scrum-half, and Lieut. Willoughby was outstanding in the pack.

Rugby Football Capt. Hook, who also is the Area Hockey officer, has been selected to Captain the Army XV on Saturday against the Club on the latter's ground.

2/Lieut. Heath is the only other newcomer to the Army team this year.

The Army "B" team will meet the Club "B" team on the Army ground on Saturday and will be captained by Capt. A. G. Hewitt of the Middlesex Regiment. Both teams are expected to do well.

The following teams will represent the Army versus The Hong Kong Football Club at the Club Ground Happy Valley on Saturday, 19th.

Army 1st XV v. Club 1st XV.
2/Lt. Ford, 2/R.S., L/Bdr. Richards, 8th/H., Capt. Douglas, 2/R.S., Lieut. Coombes, R.A.M.C., Sgt. March, 8th/H., Capt. Hook, (Capt.), 8th/H., 2nd/Lt. Wedderburn, 5/A.A., Pte. Berry, 1/Mx., Cpl. Sutherland, 2/R.S., 2/Lt. Pinkerton, 2/R.S., Lt. Willoughby, 1/Mx., 2/Lt. Millar, 2/R.S., Capt.

Duke, 2/R.S., 2/Lt. Cuthbertson, 2/R.S., 2/Lt. Heath, 5/A.A., Time: 4.15 p.m.

Army 'A' XV v. Club 'A' XV.
Lt. Lomax, 8/H., L/C. Pleton, R.E., Signm. Willis, R.C.S., Gnr. Giblin, 5/A.A., Pte. Macdonald, R.A.M.C., 2/Lt. Gibson, 2/R.S., L/C. Folry, R.E., 2/Lt. Bompas, H.K.S.R.A., Capt. Hewitt, (Capt.) 1/Mx., 2/Lt. Delderfield, 12/H., Gnr. Whitehead, 5/A.A., Cpl. Chandler, R.A.M.C., Pte. Mohan, R.A.M.C., Cpl. Bedford, R.C.S., Sgt. Page, 5/A.A., Time: 3 p.m.

The following reserves will be prepared to play in either of the above teams:—

Capt. Drew-Wilkinson, 2/R.S., Gnr. Keeble, 2/Lt. Eddison, 12/H., L/Sgt. Sheldrake, R.E., and Gnr. Clifton.

Players are requested to be on the field 15 mins. before the game is due to start. Kit will be provided for both teams.

THE Small Units football knock-out competition is providing us with some brilliant football, and we have now nearly completed the first round of the knock-out. Here are the results to date:—

22nd (F) Coy. R.Es. beat 35th (M) C.D. Bty., R.A., by two goals to one, Lee Wai Lan and Chan Kua Poi scored for the Sappers, and Carley scored for the Gunners.

The Royal Air Force beat the 7th A.A. Bty., R.A., by the odd goal in five with Bartlett (2), Munfield (1) and Willis (1). Thorne scored for the gunners.

Small Units Football "HQ" Coy of the Royal Scots

beat "D" Coy of the Middlesex by 2 goals to 1.

"D" Coy of the Royal Scots beat the Hong Kong Signal company by 5 goals to nil.

"A" Coy of the Royal Scots beat "C" Coy of the Middlesex 2-1.

"A" Coy of the Middlesex Regt. beat the Corps of Military Police 10 goals to nil with Jennings scoring no less than six times, Saw scoring 3, and Coomer 1.

"B" Coy of the Royal Scots beat the 27 Coy R.A.M.C., 3 goals to 1.

THE Middlesex Regt. are playing South China at Sookunpoo on Saturday, 19th., and will be strength-

Association Football ening their pivot line with Bright being played for the first time this season; he has not been able to play before owing to injuries.

On Sunday the Royal Scots are playing Kwong Wah at Sookunpoo, and this should result in a win for the Scots.

SOFT ball is beginning to gain favour with units of the garrison and so far four teams have entered the league.

The Engineers, who made their debut last year, are confident of giving a fine display again this year under the supervision of Welfie Welford, and have three excellent hurlers in Sgt. Denyer, Fox of football fame, and Shaw.

The Royal Scots are making their debut this season and will be managed by R. Phillips. They should be able to field some brilliant players, after

having a lot of practice at baseball and Army rounders.

The 3th Hvy. Regt., R.A., are also entering the league and are showing the way for other Artillery teams, despite the long way that they have to come to play their games.

The Royal Air Force have a strong team and are after the league honours this season. They have an excellent hitter in Gillespie who has strengthened his hitting by playing a season of baseball.

Their manager, Titch Moulten, has great ideas for them, and they are rated as the most improved team in the Colony.

It is hoped that more units will follow the example of the four teams mentioned above. We are still trying to form an Army league for this sport, but no replies have been received as yet. If anyone is interested will they please get in touch with the Area Sports Board.

ON Tuesday, the Middlesex "A" team beat the Police "A" team at Shamshuipoo, by four goals to nil.

Hockey Sheehan scored the hat-trick, and Tait the other.

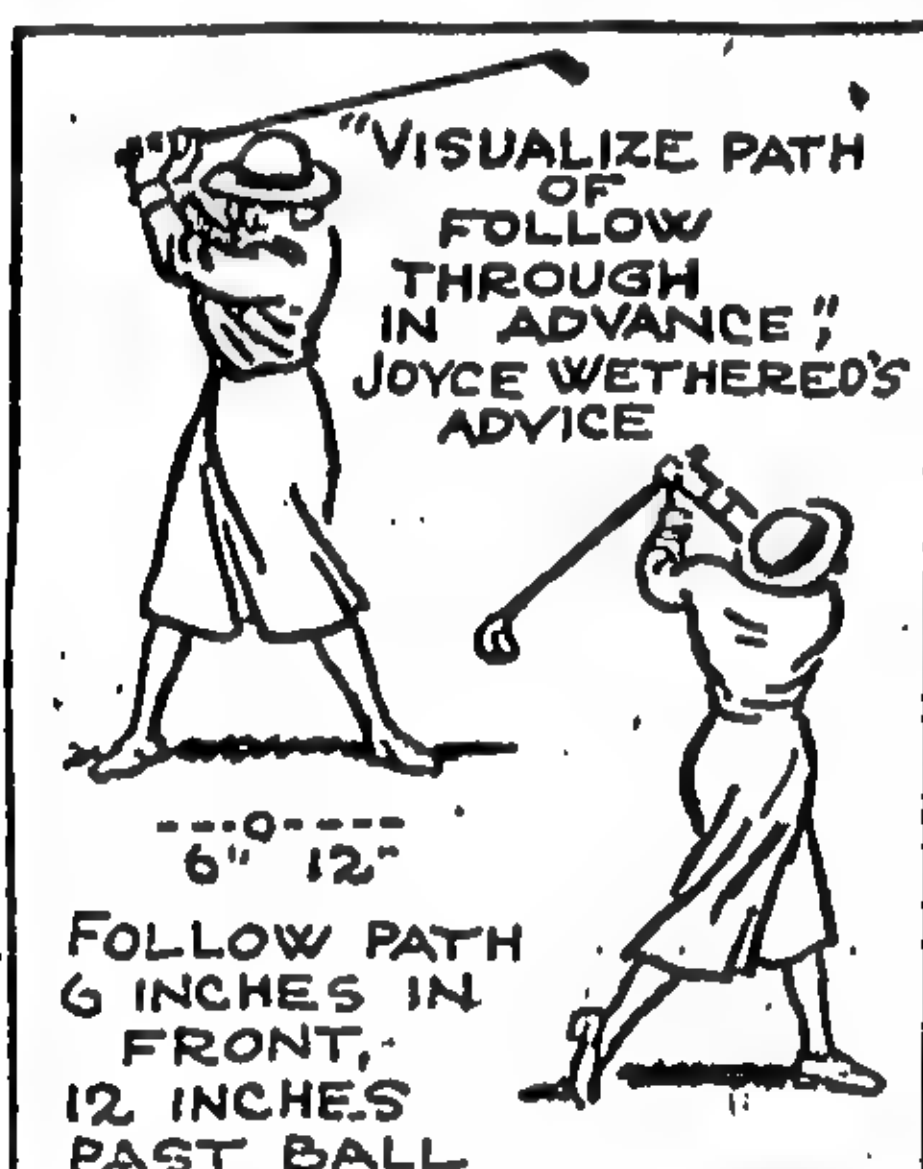
The best player on the field was Sgt. Waldron of the Middlesex, who, playing at left half, gave an excellent performance; he also plays for the Y.M.C.A.

NEXT week the Army Selection Committee for football, will meet for the purpose of selecting the Army teams to play against the Navy. Trial matches, will be played next month for the purpose of getting together a strong Army XI which will be given the opportunity of playing more together this season than in previous years.

Football Meeting

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GRAPHIC GOLF



MENTAL PATTERNS

By BEST BALL

By visualising the path of the stroke in advance a golfer, often subconsciously, directs his clubhead in that line. Joyce Wethered, celebrated English woman golfer, has her own particular formula along this line. On the down-swing she mentally outlines a path from six inches in front of the ball to a foot past it through which the clubhead must travel. This predetermined line lessens any tendency to err during the impact, stage and as a result it is rare indeed when her shots are not straight and precise.

Some golfers find it helpful to form a mental image of the path of the follow through. Actually nothing that occurs during the follow through could effect the flight of the ball. But the pattern formed in the mind has a helpful effect in directing the club during the downswing so that such a finish is possible. As a result the ball is better struck for the follow through was so imagined that it could only result from a path straight through the ball.

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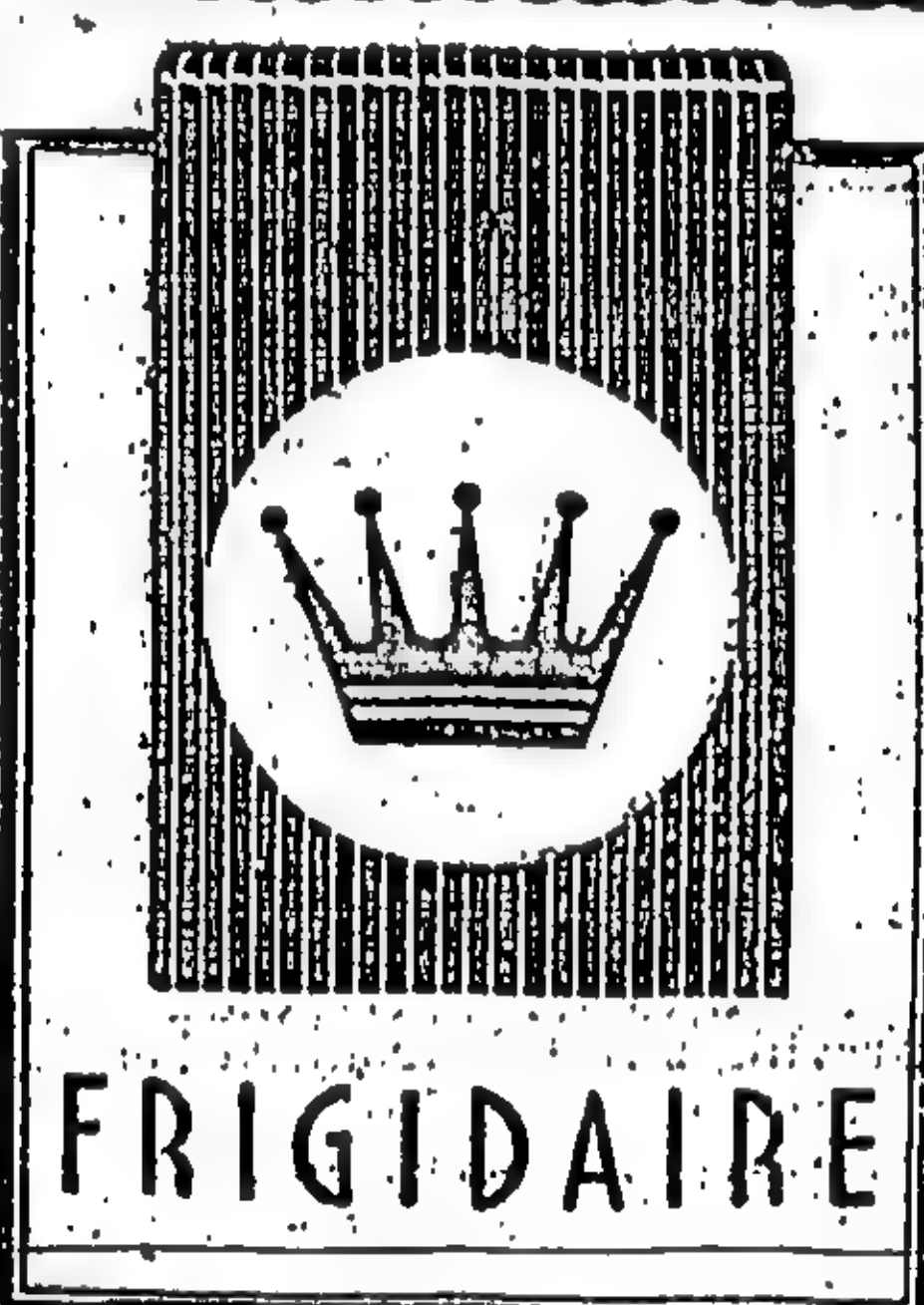
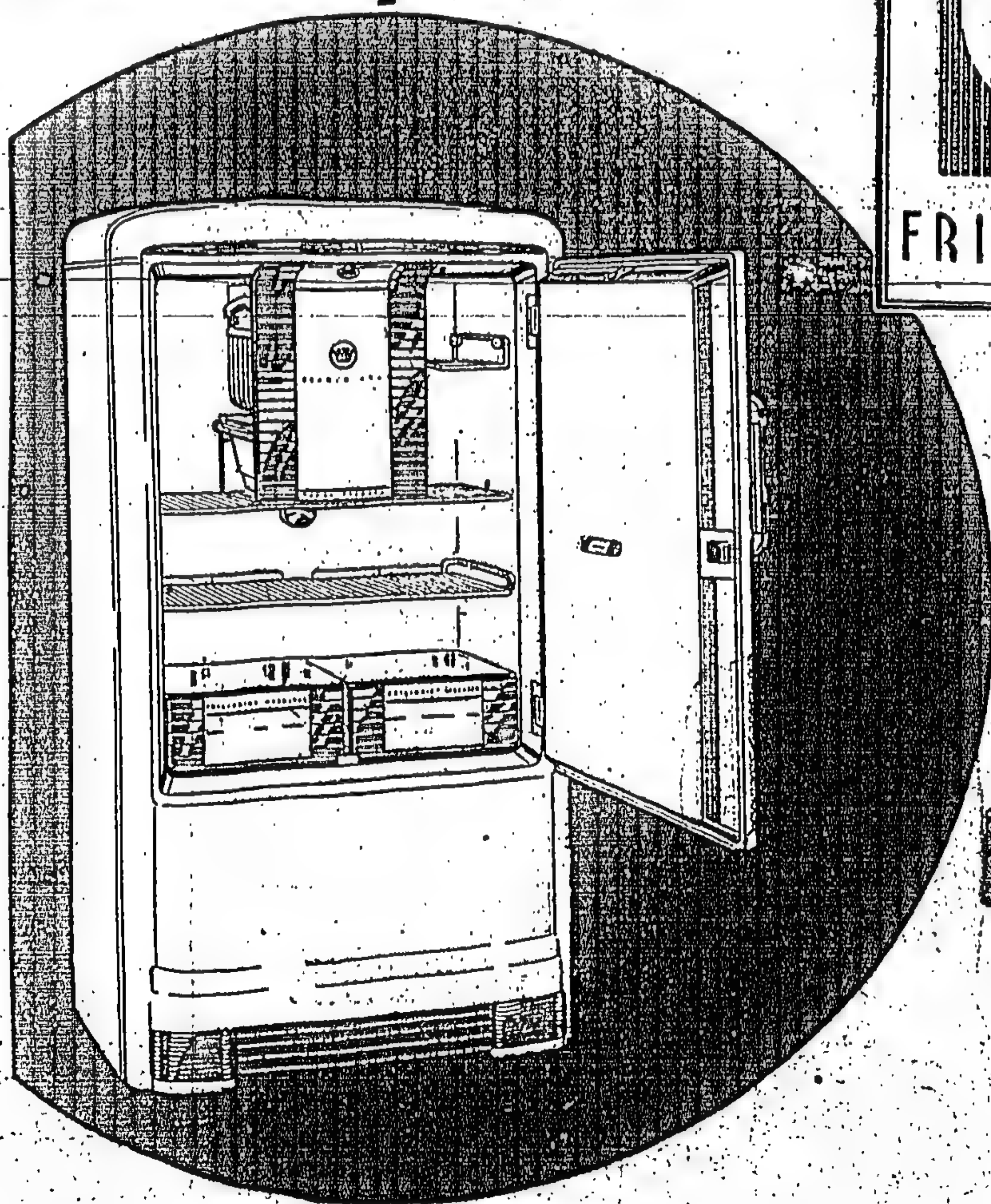
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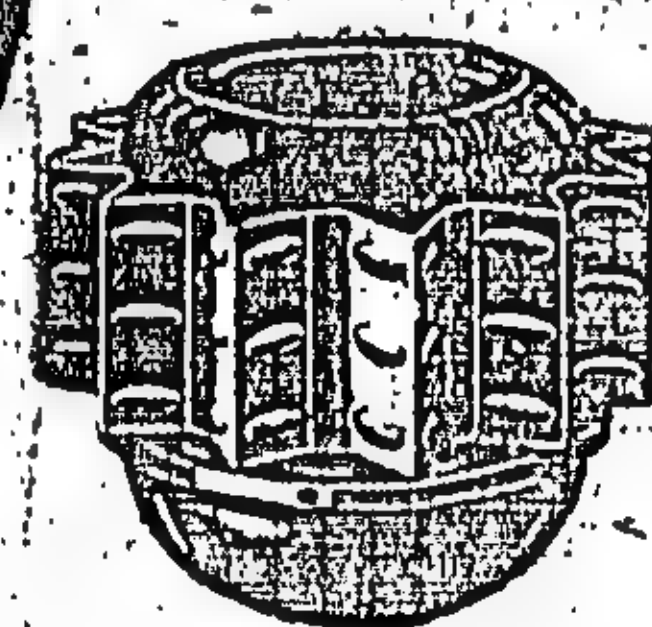
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MINISTER SUSPENDED

Investigation Of Payments On Czech Claims

AMERICAN OFFER TO DE GAULLE

An offer to provide ambulances and volunteer drivers to serve with the French Army has been received at headquarters of the Free French Forces in London from the American Field Service in New York, stated a communique issued by General de Gaulle's headquarters yesterday.

A letter to General de Gaulle states that the volunteer ambulance drivers of the American Field Service, who served with the French Army in France and who returned to the United States, are again anxious to serve with the French and are ready to volunteer for service if opportunity arises.

General de Gaulle's communique states he has gladly accepted this generous offer from America and there is no doubt that, in the near future, American ambulance units will be serving with the Free French Forces either in the Free French Empire or in England. — Reuter.

WEYGAND'S POWER IN AFRICA

General Weygand, High Commissioner for French Africa, has been authorised to expel from territory under his charge until the end of hostilities, all persons deemed dangerous to public security, states the Havas agency in a Vichy despatch quoted by Reuter.

Mr. Churchill Explains The Position

THE SUSPENSION from his duties of Mr. R. Boothby, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Food, was announced by the Prime Minister in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Churchill indicated the suspension was at Mr. Boothby's own request pending investigation by a select committee of Mr. Boothby's connection with the payment out of assets in Britain of claims against the Government and institutions of Czechoslovakia.

LED LIKE LAMBS TO SLAUGHTER

The Rumanian people are angry at the way they have been hoodwinked into acquiescing with recent developments, according to Ankara Radio.

Hundreds of secret pamphlets denouncing the Germans and those who paved their way have been distributed all over the country. The staff of the German naval mission has arrived in Bucharest and all Jews in the oil-districts have been told to leave immediately. — Reuter.

Mr. Churchill said the committee would report whether Mr. Boothby's conduct was contrary to the usage or derogatory to the dignity of the House or inconsistent with the standards which Parliament was entitled to expect from its members.

Explaining the situation, Mr. Churchill said that after the occupation of Prague, certain Czech assets were blocked in Britain and there arose the question of payment from these assets to those who had claims against Czechoslovakia.

Mr. Boothby, said Mr. Churchill, took a very active part in interviewing Ministers in this matter and pressed for legislation.

Financial Interest

Mr. Boothby spoke in the Commons on the bill which was subsequently introduced.

Mr. Boothby became chairman of an informal committee of Czech claimants and had pressed for payment of claims.

EVIDENCE, SAID THE PRIME MINISTER, HAD RECENTLY BEEN PLACED BEFORE THE GOVERNMENT WHICH INDICATED THAT MR. BOOTHBY HAD FINANCIAL INTERESTS IN ONE LARGE CLAIM.

This appeared, Mr. Churchill added, to be inconsistent with the statement which Mr. Boothby had made to the former Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Mr. Boothby Concurs

Mr. Boothby, said Mr. Churchill in conclusion, had concurred to the course proposed and had willingly submitted himself to the committee which he would assist in every way.

"I do not consider it fitting at this stage to call for Mr. Boothby's resignation from the office which he holds with distinction in the Government, as this might appear in the eyes of the public to prejudice the issue," declared Mr. Churchill. — Reuter.

RUSSO-TURKISH DISCUSSIONS

THE SOVIET PREMIER YESTERDAY RECEIVED THE TURKISH AMBASSADOR, WHO RETURNED TO MOSCOW FROM ANKARA ON SATURDAY.

At the same time, the new Soviet Ambassador to Turkey was received by the Turkish Premier in the presence of his Chief of Staff.

The British Ambassador called on the Turkish Foreign Minister for an exchange of views. — Reuter.

SOVIET ESTIMATE OF AIR WAR

AIR SUPREMACY BELONGS TO NEITHER BRITAIN NOR GERMANY, SAYS "RED STAR," OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE SOVIET ARMY, IN A COMPARISON BETWEEN THE TWO AIR FORCES.

The paper continues: — "British aviation is not crushed and is even spreading its activity." — Reuter.

STOP PRESS

Though no details are yet available, it is reported that at around 1 o'clock this morning a Chinese who ignored the challenge of an Indian sentry on military property was fired on and wounded.

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REFUGEE SCRAMBLE AT LISBON

The refugee trek to South and North America has reached such proportions that all passages by sea and air for the remainder of the year are booked, it was stated in Lisbon yesterday.

Hotels and boarding houses in Lisbon are filled with Frenchmen, Poles, Dutchmen, Belgians, Czechs and Luxemburgers hoping to proceed to the Americas this year or next.

Each day the consulates are besieged. Visas are being granted only after careful investigation of the credentials of each individual.

Owing to extra work of this nature the United States consulate has been enlarged and additional employees engaged.—Reuter.

Washington Talks

Mr. Cordell Hull, Mr. Sumner Welles and Mr. Norman Davis, of the Red Cross, yesterday conferred with President Roosevelt in Washington on the foreign refugee situation.

No announcement is immediately forthcoming.—Reuter.

PARLIAMENT'S LIFE TO BE PROLONGED

A BILL EXTENDING THE PRESENT LIFE OF PARLIAMENT WAS INTRODUCED BY THE PRIME MINISTER YESTERDAY AND GIVEN ITS FIRST READING.

The present Parliament is five years old and its term of office should end next month.

It is, however, open to Parliament to prolong its life at any time of national emergency. This was done in the last war and will be done again this time. — Reuter.

ANOTHER RAID ON CHUNGKING

Eighteen Japanese planes made another attack on Chungking yesterday.

Heavier damage was done than on Wednesday. Nine wooden boats in the river and scores of houses were destroyed. A fire was started but was quickly put under control.

In yesterday's raid the Catholic Church was demolished. Only in the morning Monsignor Mario Zanin, Apostolic Delegate to China, had led prayer in the church. — Central News.

LONDON SCHOOL CHILDREN: HALF MILLION LEAVE

Nearly half a million school-children—489,000—or about 56 per cent of the whole school-children of the London evacuation area, have left the capital. This was revealed by Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, Minister of Health, in a statement in the Commons yesterday. —Reuter.

THE BIG SWEEP

OVER 346,700 SPECIAL DOLLAR SWEEPSTAKE TICKETS ON THE KWANGTUNG HANDICAP AT THE NINTH EXTRA RACE MEETING TO BE HELD TO-MORROW, HAVE BEEN SOLD.

The first prize is now valued at over \$148,000 the second at over \$42,000; and third at over \$21,000. The Jockey Club's net receipts from the sweepstake will be donated to British war funds, and to the British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China.

DAYLIGHT RAID ON BREST

A daylight attack was made yesterday on the power station of the German occupied naval base at Brest by Coastal Command aircraft, states an Air Ministry communiqué.

A number of bombs were dropped and extensive damage caused. — Reuter.

NOTHING TO REPORT IN EGYPT

"There is nothing of importance to report in Egypt," states the communiqué issued from British GHQ in Cairo last night.

The communiqué adds: In the Sudan and Kenya, our offensive patrols continue to be active.—Reuter.

FOUR AUXILIARY CRAFT LOST

The Admiralty announce that four auxiliary craft have recently been sunk by enemy action. They are the trawlers "Resolute," "Listre" and "Warwick Deeping" and the drifter "Summer Rose." —Reuter.

SENTRY FIRES ON CHINESE

Though no details are yet available, it is reported that at around 1 o'clock this morn-

Hits On Nazi Warships

FOR THE SECOND NIGHT IN SUCCESSION THE NAVAL DOCKYARDS AT KIEL WERE AMONG THE PRINCIPAL TARGETS ATTACKED ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT BY R.A.F. BOMBERS.

Once again the raiders pressed home the attack in the face of fierce opposition from batteries of heavy and light guns, states the Air Ministry news service.

The bombardment lasted over two hours and many high explosives and incendiary bombs were seen to burst among buildings in the Deutsche Werft and the Germania yards.

One of the pilots said he came out over the top of what appeared to be a warship and dropped a stick of bombs which must have straddled the ship.

Drifting cloud made observation of results extremely difficult but other pilots believed their bombs hit the same ship. In another attack on a different part of the dockyards, bombs fell astern of another warship and two fires at once broke out. At the same times as these raids other targets elsewhere in Germany were attacked.

Leuna Again Raided

At Leuna a large synthetic oil plant was again subjected to prolonged bombardment. With the first bombs dropped a large fire started.

At regular intervals heavy calibre bombs were dropped with precision on this important objective and further fires were seen to break out, followed by numerous explosions. The last pilot to attack the plant saw his bombs burst near a line of chimneys and a few minutes later there was a giant explosion.—Reuter.

Direct Hits

The first raiders to take off from the base in England reached the target area soon after 9 o'clock and, according to one pilot, they were luckier than some others who followed, for on arrival they found a "great horse-shoeshaped gap five miles across in a cloud layer over Kiel."

Fifty-five miles south of Kiel other raiders were hammering docks at Hamburg but here again clouds hid results of the bombing.

Thick clouds of black smoke at Leuna made evident the success of the bombing. One pilot who made a high level attack reported that bombs had started two fires both of which burned with a brilliant white flame. Then suddenly there were three or four big explosions.

Direct hits were also registered on a power station and factory near Leuna and two factories south-west of Leipzig. — British Wireless.

ing a Chinese who ignored the challenge of an Indian sentry on military property was fired on and wounded.

FURTHER LOANS TO CHINA?

The question of new loans to China was under discussion during conferences held in Washington yesterday by Mr. T. V. Soong, former Chinese Finance Minister now in Washington on a special mission, and American officials.

The press was informed after the conferences that repayments of such loans could properly be made from tung oil, tungsten and other commodities. No further details are yet available.—Reuter.

LORD LOTHIAN REACHES LONDON

Lord Lothian, British Ambassador to the United States, arrived in London yesterday after crossing the Atlantic on the American Clipper.

He declined to make any statement to the press, saying he was going to confer with the British Government. — Reuter.

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DIFFIDENCE IN AXIS MOVES

Remote Bearing On Egypt Campaign

JAPANESE CLAIM

THREE JAPANESE COLUMNS, ADVANCING FROM DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS, ESTABLISHED CONTACT EARLY ON WEDNESDAY MORNING, COMPLETING THE ENCIRCLEMENT OF 20 CHUNGKING AND COMMUNIST DIVISIONS, STATES A DOMEI AGENCY MESSAGE FROM "SOMEWHERE IN CHINA."

The message adds this was the culmination of an intensive five-day drive launched along a front of nearly 200 miles straddling the Anhwei-Chekiang border south of the Yangtse River.

Up to Wednesday evening, the Japanese claim, the Chungking troops had abandoned 5,000 dead. — Reuter.

SURPRISING!

If the weather permits to-day, Japanese aeroplanes will bomb the Chinese side of the Burma Road, said the Japanese naval spokesman at Hanoi yesterday. — Reuter.

WHATEVER THE MEANING OF THE NEW AXIS MOVEMENTS IN THE BALKANS THEY ARGUE AN INTERESTING DIFFIDENCE IN PROCEEDING WITH THE PROBLEM AS IT IS.

The movements appear to have no immediate, though they have a remote bearing, upon the campaign in Egypt.

These conclusions are reached by the well-known expert "Strategicus" in this week's "Spectator."

The writer finds it significantly strange that caution should still loom so large in the Axis approach to the Egyptian campaign, seeing the opportunities Italy has had to mature her plans without molestation during the period of her non-belligerency and especially considering Italy's caution in timing her entry into the war for the moment when France was clearly out of it.

Superficially, "Strategicus" considers, the German movements in Rumania suggest a pincers attack upon Egypt, a combination of a descent from the north by Germany and the development of a thrust from Libya.

In its more picturesque form it would imply a double envelopment of the Empire via Palestine

and Egypt, but cold commonsense does not appear to sanction such interpretations.

Italy Troubles

It seems improbable that Germany is prepared for a military campaign in the East and unless Turkey shows complacency, of which she has given no indication, that would have to be undertaken.

What is troubling Italy is that the delay has strengthened the opposition instead of weakening it.

Germany's role may be limited to bringing pressure upon Greece via Bulgaria, while Italy descends upon her from the north-west, but it seems improbable at the moment that either Germany or Italy wishes to be saddled with a campaign in this quarter of Europe.

Valuable Pawns

It would be extremely foolish to underrate the threatening nature of the Italian campaign against Egypt and to minimise the skill with which the Italian commander has seized valuable pawns in the Sudan and Kenya, and there is one respect in which the new German movements may have a slight adverse effect upon the British defence.

As diversion it may be hoped, they will detain forces away from the Egyptian theatre. On the other hand the movements may have no more than nuisance value though they have to be allowed for.

"The Egyptian campaign must be further simplified before it looks like a sound proposition." — Reuter.

PAPA PETAIN DECEIVES HIMSELF

THE ROME NEWSPAPER "POPOLO D'ITALIA," COMMENTING YESTERDAY ON MARSHAL PETAIN'S RECENT MESSAGE TO THE FRENCH PEOPLE, DECLARES THAT THE VICHY GOVERNMENT SEEMS, IN EFFECT, TO SAY THAT FRANCE WOULD BE WILLING TO TRANSFORM HERSELF BUT THE AXIS IN ITS PEACE CONDITIONS WOULD HAVE TO REDUCE ITS CLAIMS.

Declaring that certain neutral newspapers have given this interpretation to Marshal Petain's message, "Popolo d'Italia" says the following points must be made clear:

First, the war was not started and won to give France a totalitarian regime.

Second, the Vichy Government is making a big mistake if, in the "revolution from above," it is trying to save what France has lost.

Third, when France has paid all that she will have to pay she will be free to choose the regime she prefers. — Reuter.

TRANSPORT FOR EVACUATION OF AMERICANS

It is reported in Shanghai that the United States transport Chaumont is expected to arrive there some time before the end of October to take part in the evacuation of American nationals.

It is understood that the vessel is already on her way to Shanghai and will, according to the reports, be the first evacuation ship calling at Shanghai. — Reuter.

NORTH STATION INCIDENT

According to Japanese reports in Shanghai last night, an attempt to assassinate Liang Hung-chih, Chairman of the former "Nanking Reformed Government," was made on Wednesday morning at the North Station.

Two hand-grenades, it is said, were discovered by the police in the station a few hours before Liang boarded a train for Nanking. No arrests have been made. — Our Own Correspondent.

LEWIS GUN TEST FOR TRAINEES

The Military Authorities state that all members of the Training Company and those members of the Training Cadre who have passed their test of Elementary Training in Lewis Gun will parade at Kowloon Tong A Range at 2.15 p.m. on Saturday, for the purpose of firing the gun.

SIGNIFICANT VISIT OF MR. EDEN TO EGYPT

(By Reuter's Military Correspondent)

MR. ANTHONY EDEN, the Secretary of State for War, is now in Egypt to confer with General Sir Archibald Wavell, Commander-in-Chief in the Middle East.

The significance of this visit at such a time is clear — Mr. Eden's business is to help General Wavell to the utmost of his power with men, munitions and equipment and discuss with him questions regarding higher policy of the campaign.

At any moment the Nazi legions in the Balkans may march. Indeed, if they do not do so soon, the opportunity may well be lost when this dry autumn weather which now reigns changes into wet and roads become muddy and incapable of supporting mechanised corps.

If they do march it will be in conjunction with the Italian forces in North Africa and the battle will at once become one of large dimensions.

At such a time it is well that Mr. Eden is on the spot to see for himself and hear from others the exact military situation.

Military Axiom

That Mr. Eden will have an opportunity of discussing with Admiral Sir Andrew Cunningham, Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, is a sine qua non. "Time spent in reconnaissance is never wasted," is a military axiom Mr. Eden has not forgotten and his advice will be particularly valuable when he returns to the Cabinet in London. — Reuter.

MADRID'S STRANGE BEHAVIOUR

The Swiss Legation in Madrid has been instructed to inquire into the Spanish Government's reasons for prohibiting the entry into Spain of Swiss citizens between the ages of 18 and 40 travelling to Anglo-Saxon countries, especially Canada, stated the "Basler Nachrichten" yesterday.

The newspaper states that the ban, which was introduced for Swiss subjects on Tuesday, had already existed for Britons, Poles, Czechs and other nationals of German occupied countries of military age. — Reuter.

POOR ATTEMPT TO INSULT NAVY

THE GERMANS HAVE NOW COME FORTH WITH THEIR VERSION OF THE SELLING OF DUNKIRK ON TUESDAY NIGHT.

They claim that the British started firing before they came within range and withdrew without doing any military damage.

(It is worth recalling in this connection that the British Admiralty has announced that Dunkirk was very heavily shelled and the attack was as successful as that a week ago on Cherbourg). — Reuter.

HIMMLER DUE IN MADRID

Herr Himmler, chief of the Nazi Secret Police, is expected to arrive in Madrid on Sunday. — Reuter.



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CANTON CONSULAR CHANGES

Mr. L. A. Scopes, British Vice-Consul in Canton, has been transferred to Saigon and will be leaving with Mrs. Scopes and their infant daughter as soon as transportation is available. He will be replaced by Mr. P. D. Coates, who is already in the consulate in Shamen, while Mr. C. W. Martin is arriving shortly to replace Mr. Coates.

Mr. E. E. Rice, of the United States Consulate-General in Canton, has been transferred to Foochow and will be replaced by Mr. Ludden, who arrives with Mrs. Ludden in the U.S.S. Mindanao. Mr. Rice left Canton in the warship. — Reuter.

SEAMEN'S WELFARE BOARD

The new Seamen's Welfare Board, set up by the Minister of Labour to advise on all questions concerning the welfare of British, Allied and foreign seamen in British ports and British crews in overseas ports, met for the first time in London yesterday. Members of the Board include representatives of shipowners and seamen's organisations. It was decided to set up or reconstitute local welfare committees in Bristol, Cardiff, Glasgow, Hull, Leith, London, Merseyside and Newcastle. — British Wireless.

CRUISER LAUNCHED

FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MANY MONTHS, THE LONDON PRESS WAS YESTERDAY PERMITTED TO PUBLISH A PHOTOGRAPH OF ONE OF THE NEW WARSHIPS FOR THE ROYAL NAVY COMING OFF THE STOCKS.

The vessel is a cruiser. Air raids delayed work on the ship for only four hours during the entire period of construction. — Reuter.

BURMA'S GIFT FOR AIRCRAFT

Among gifts acknowledged by the Minister of Aircraft Production is a further contribution of £10,000 from the people of Burma and £1,000 from the Sultan of Trengganu on behalf of the people of the State. — British Wireless.

NEW ZEALAND ORDERS IN BRITAIN

During September the New Zealand Government placed orders for contracts to the value of £100,000 with Midland and Scottish firms chiefly for electricity and railway material. — British Wireless.

Dr. G. Hutchison Cockburn, Minister of Dunblane Cathedral, has been nominated as Moderator of the next General Assembly of the Church of Scotland. — British Wireless.

CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL HAD A NARROW ESCAPE IN AN AIR RAID YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, WHEN A FORMATION OF MESSERSCHMIDT FIGHTER-BOMBERS, DIVING OUT OF THE CLOUDS, DROPPED 20 HIGH EXPLOSIVE AND INCENDIARY BOMBS IN THE TOWN, THREE OF WHICH FELL IN THE PRECINCTS OF THE CATHEDRAL.

The Ministry of Home Security announces that some damage was done to the Deanery and in the precincts but the Cathedral itself, where panes of glass were damaged in a raid last week, suffered no harm.

One bomb landed in the front garden of the Deanery but Dean Hewlett Johnson and members of his staff who were sheltering in the vaulted passages escaped injury.

About a dozen private houses were wrecked but most of the bombs fell in open spaces and only one man, a member of the Home Guard, was killed.

Fighter-Bombers

The Air Ministry communique issued last night says that the German attacks during the day were confined mainly to South-East England and, in accordance with the new tactics, were mainly

carried out by fighters flying at a great height.

"With complete regularity, each formation was set upon by large forces of British fighters and their formations were scattered."

Few planes succeeded in reaching London and apparently few bombs were dropped.

Three Shot Down

Three enemy aircraft were destroyed yesterday, it is announced officially in London. One British fighter is missing.

It is now confirmed that four enemy bombers were destroyed on Wednesday night. — Reuter.

JAPAN'S ATTITUDE DOES NOT PLEASE LITTLE BISMARCK

RIBBENTROP, THE NAZI Foreign Minister, is angered by Japan's attitude which caused his calculations in the East sadly to misfire, according to Dutch sources in London quoted yesterday by "Frie Nederland," semi-official organ of the Dutch Government.

The newspaper declares its information is based on special information and not mere supposition. It asserts Ribbentrop is dismayed because the situation in the East Indies has not worsened recently.

Ribbentrop has been striving to whip up Japanese feeling against the Dutch by disseminating the assertion that Holland under British influence would be forced to lease naval bases in the Dutch Indies to America.

Necessity for such a thing, however, does not arise as the Dutch Indies are not being attacked or seriously threatened.

In certain military circles in Tokyo, enthusiasm may be aroused by Nazi press statements that Japan desires to attack the East Indies but does not do so with the Japanese Government.

Cables Withheld

"We have proof that telegrams from authoritative sources in Tokyo reflecting the Japanese Government's policy are withheld by the Nazi press."

"Japan's attitude of restraint is not to Berlin's taste. Moreover the Washington reaction to Rib-

bentrop's Berlin - Rome - Tokyo move has strengthened the hands of the more responsible Japanese statesmen." — Reuter.

BRITISH MISSION

BY AGREEMENT WITH THE SOUTH AMERICAN STATES, BRITAIN IS SENDING A SPECIAL MISSION TO SOUTH AMERICA TO EXPLAIN BRITAIN'S ECONOMIC POLICY IN THE WAR AND PROMOTE EXPORT TRADE.

The mission will not negotiate any commercial agreements.

It will be headed by Lord Willington, former Governor-General of Canada and Viceroy of India. — Reuter.

THE ANSWER COMES PAT

Last night's Air Ministry communique makes a laconic comment on the German High Command communique admitting the loss of only two aircraft on Wednesday night.

"The four German aircraft destroyed last night can be seen near Harwich, Bishop's Stortford, Denbeigh and Frome" remarks the Air Ministry. — Reuter.

POWER PROJECTS FOR DEFENCE

President Roosevelt informed Congress yesterday that he has allocated \$1,000,000 for preliminary surveys on the development of additional power for defence purposes at the International Rapids section of the St. Lawrence River.

The President has also created a St. Lawrence advisory committee to advise him in planning the appropriate agencies of the Canadian Government. — Reuter.

D.E.I.'S FINE GIFT TO R.A.F.

Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands, on behalf of the inhabitants of the Dutch East Indies, yesterday gave Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production, a cheque to purchase 40 Spitfires and 18 bombers for the R.A.F.

Acknowledging the gift in a letter to Prince Bernhard, Lord Beaverbrook says: "Together our two nations will endure and together they will rejoice in victory over mean and brutal tyranny, and that victory is brought nearer by the powerful fighters which you enable us to dispatch to our squadrons."

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WEST INDIA'S FIRST SPITFIRE

THE WESTERN STATES WAR PLANES FUND, WHICH NOW TOTALS £6,500, HAS PRESENTED ITS FIRST "SPITFIRE" TO HIS MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT. The plane will be known as "Western India State." — Reuter.

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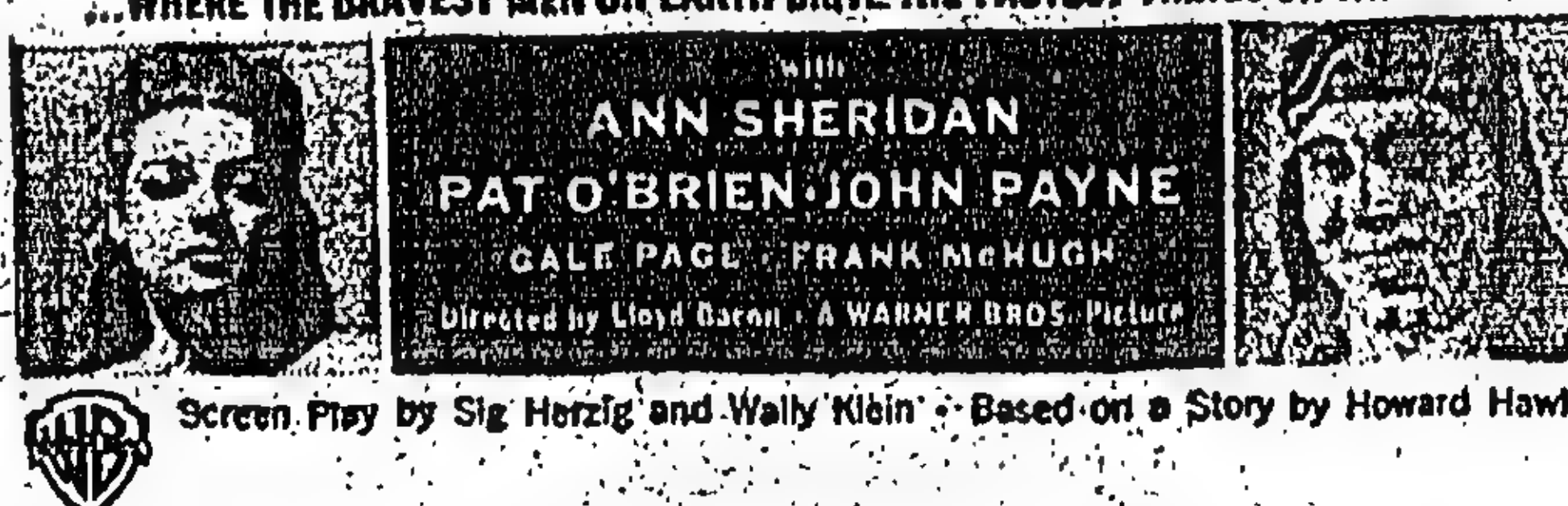


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BRITAIN NOW POSSESSES the fastest small warships in the world. They are the very latest of the Navy's already extremely secret weapon, namely motor torpedo-boats.

They are the fastest ships afloat and though small they have a sting as deadly as many larger ships.

Whether roaring along at full throttle, when they virtually skim the waves at 50 miles an hour, or slipping almost noiselessly through the night on silenced engines, they promise a new terror to the enemy.

Their small size makes them a target almost impossible to hit, especially at high speed.

The correspondent, who was privileged to take a ride in one of the craft, writes: "It was a real hair-raising thrill. By comparison, motoring is like riding in a bath chair.

"The vessel manoeuvred in the water as a Spitfire does in the air.

"Inside the tiny hull, giant engines, producing thousands of horse-power, thundered like half a dozen express trains.

"Earsplitting"

"The gunners fired ear-splitting rounds at an imaginary aeroplane overhead and the captain rapped out orders which transformed the operations into a torpedo attack behind a smoke screen."—Reuter.

"SPECIAL DUTY" FOR HIGH ARMY OFFICERS

AMONG APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED IN A SUPPLEMENT TO THE LONDON GAZETTE WERE THOSE OF A NUMBER OF HIGH OFFICERS TO BE EMPLOYED ON SPECIAL DUTIES, THE NATURE OF WHICH WERE NOT DISCLOSED. THE APPOINTMENTS INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

Maj.-Gen (local Lt.-Gen.) H. J. Huddleston, D.S.O., Col. Dorset R. 1st, pay (Res. of Off.), from G.O.C., N. Ireland Dist. to be spec. empd., and granted the actg. rank of Lt.-Gen.

Maj.-Gen. (actg. Lt.-Gen.) H. R. Pownall, D.S.O., to be an Insp.-Gen., retaining the actg. rank of Lt.-Gen.

Maj.-Gen. E. A. Osborne, D.S.O., Col. Comdt. R. Signals, from a Comdr., to be spec. empd., and granted the actg. rank of Lt.-Gen.

Maj.-Gen. R. P. Pakenham-Walsh, to be G.O.C., N. Ireland Dist.

Col. (actg. Maj.-Gen.) R. B. Pargiter, from a Dir., to be a Comdr., retaining the actg. rank of Maj.-Gen.

Col. (temp. Brig.) M. B. Beckwith-Smith, D.S.O., to be a Comdr., and granted actg. rank of Maj.-Gen.

The following Cols. (temp. Brigs.) granted the actg. rank of Maj.-Gen., whilst spec. empd.: R. Chenevix-Trench and W. Cave-Browne, D.S.O.

CANADA GUARDING CANALS

Masters of all ships passing through Canadian canals are to be held personally responsible that all measures have been taken to safeguard their vessels from sabotage and mishaps which might interrupt traffic, in regulations announced by Transport Minister P. J. A. Carlin.

Special precautionary measures have been adopted in cooperation with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, in addition to those already in force.

The master of the ship will be required to sign, before witnesses, a certificate of inspection and security of his vessel before being allowed to proceed through any part of the canal system.

RADIO SET LEFT ON FERRY

A portable radio receiving set was found on one of the "Star" ferry launches at 11.25 p.m. on Wednesday. The owner may apply to the Water Police Station.

FOREIGN-BORN HEAR APPEAL TO LOYALTY

Representative T. V. Smith (D) of Illinois urged foreign-born persons in the United States to report sabotage activities of members of their national groups to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Mr. Smith, in a radio address, also urged the foreign born, who are "friends of our democratic way" to "divorce the noisy minority of renegades from your great majority of patriotic citizens." He said to "dissociate yourselves from all such, and do it as publicly as they proclaim their offence to good taste."

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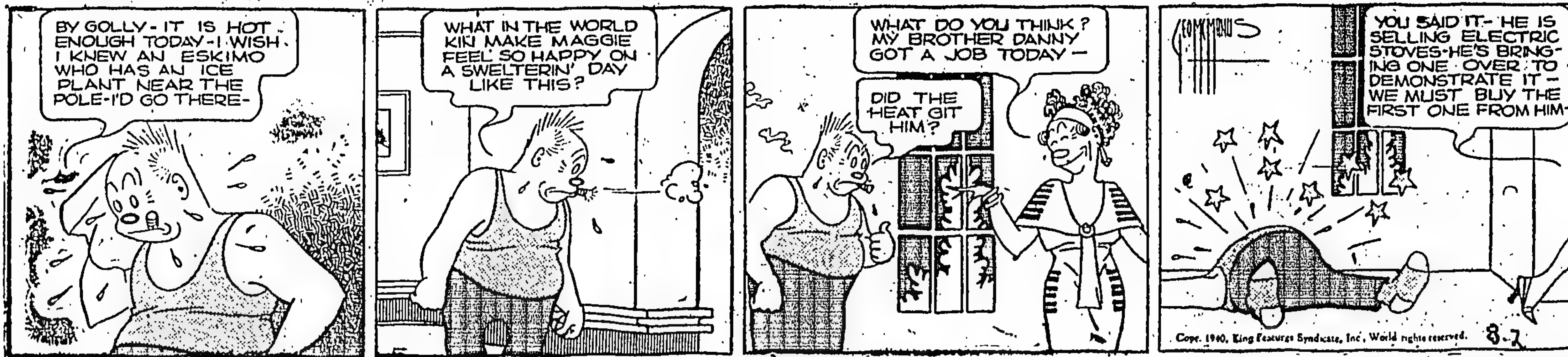
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AMERICAN OFFER TO DE GAULLE

An offer to provide ambulances and volunteer drivers to serve with the French Army has been received at headquarters of the Free French Forces in London from the American Field Service in New York, stated a communique issued by General de Gaulle's headquarters yesterday.

A letter to General de Gaulle states that the volunteer ambulance drivers of the American Field Service, who served with the French Army in France and who returned to the United States, are again anxious to serve with the French and are ready to volunteer for service if opportunity arises. General de Gaulle's communique states he has gladly accepted this generous offer from America and there is no doubt that, in the near future, American ambulance units will be serving with the Free French Forces either in the Free French Empire or in England. — Reuter

WEYGAND'S POWER IN AFRICA

General Weygand, High Commissioner for French Africa, has been authorised to expel from territory under his charge until the end of hostilities, all persons deemed dangerous to public security, states the Havas agency in a Vichy despatch quoted by Reuter.

ISSUES OF WAR NOT WHOLLY UNDERSTOOD

A WARNING TO friends of democracy everywhere not to deceive themselves that the issues of the war now on in Europe are yet fully understood was voiced by Sir Norman Angell, internationally known English economist and writer and winner of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1933, speaking at a meeting of the Women's Division of the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies at a luncheon at the Astor Hotel in New York.

The meeting was called to discuss and formulate plans for the Women's Division, which now has more than 200 volunteer members. William Allen White, Emporia, Kan., publisher, is chairman of the sponsoring committee.

Sir Norman's address was reminiscent of Tennyson's "Locksley Hall," wherein the poet "dipped into the future far as human eye could see." He reviewed briefly the changed status of Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland and Nazi aggression in western Europe and declared that this was a time for all men to weigh and study the record, wherein the independence of 12 or 13 states in Europe was shown "utterly destroyed."

"We will fight if we ourselves are attacked," each of them said," Sir Norman continued. "From that moment they were lost. How could a Finland defend itself against Russia or a Norway against Germany? From that moment that each of these 13 states said, 'We will only fight for our own nation,' they were all at Hitler's mercy, for he could pick them off one by one—destroy them in de-

tail. These 13 states of Europe did not appreciate the meaning of the phrase that there are times when free men must hang together if they are not to hang separately. There would have been no American nation if it founders had not understood the meaning of that phrase."

Sir Norman stressed that the "principle of unity" was the basis of the Monroe Doctrine.

"It was a policy directed at checking the totalitarianism of the 'Holy Alliance,'" he recalled. "Whether the form the Monroe Doctrine then took is adequate to the changed conditions of our time it is for you to judge. The present interpretation would seem to mean that if Germany were to occupy Patagonia, commitments would compel you to fight, but not if Germany occupied Ireland. Would the German occupation of Patagonia really threaten you more than the German occupation of Ireland?"

Sir Norman stressed that Abraham Lincoln saw the "profound truth" that union was the very condition of survival 40 years after President Monroe: that he knew that democracies must hang together or perish.

"Even at the cost of one of the bloodiest wars of history, Lincoln stood for unity against disintegration," he continued, "for he knew that if unity were not maintained, then freedom could not be maintained. The same truth in only slightly different form confronts us to-day."

Sir Norman stressed the deep, common interests between the United States and Great Britain. It was proved most recently, he said, in the British invitation to the United States to become more powerful on British territory in the Western Hemisphere.

"We hope now to improve our defence and yours by letting you in," he added. "It is testimony of the most striking kind to our profound conviction that the stronger you are the safer in the long run shall we be; the safer, that is, will be those values which we both treasure beyond life. Your power is part of our safety, and, as both your great political parties have recently declared, our power is part of your safety."

SOVIET ESTIMATE OF AIR WAR

AIR SUPREMACY BELONGS TO NEITHER BRITAIN NOR GERMANY, SAYS "RED STAR," OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE SOVIET ARMY, IN A COMPARISON BETWEEN THE TWO AIR FORCES.

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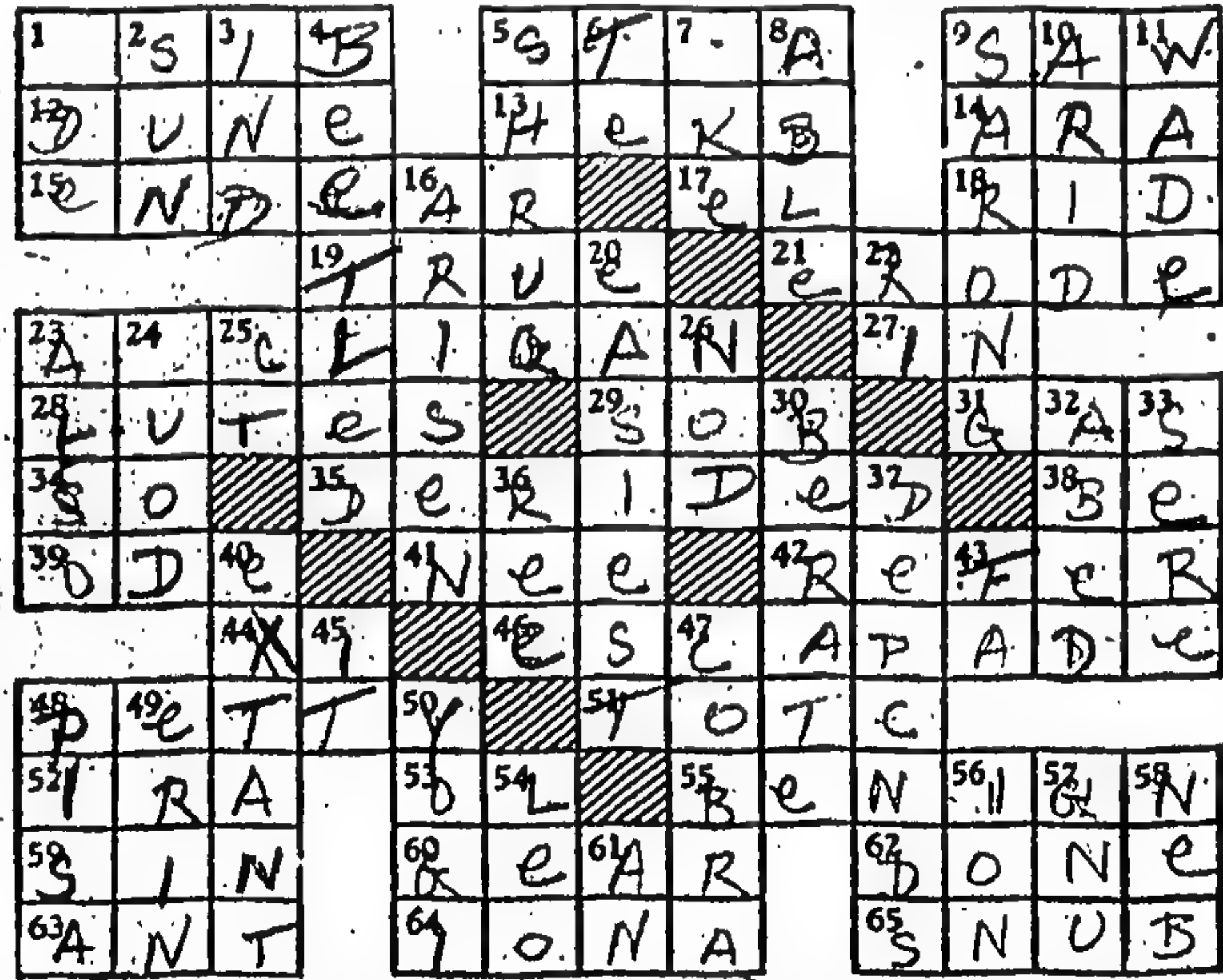
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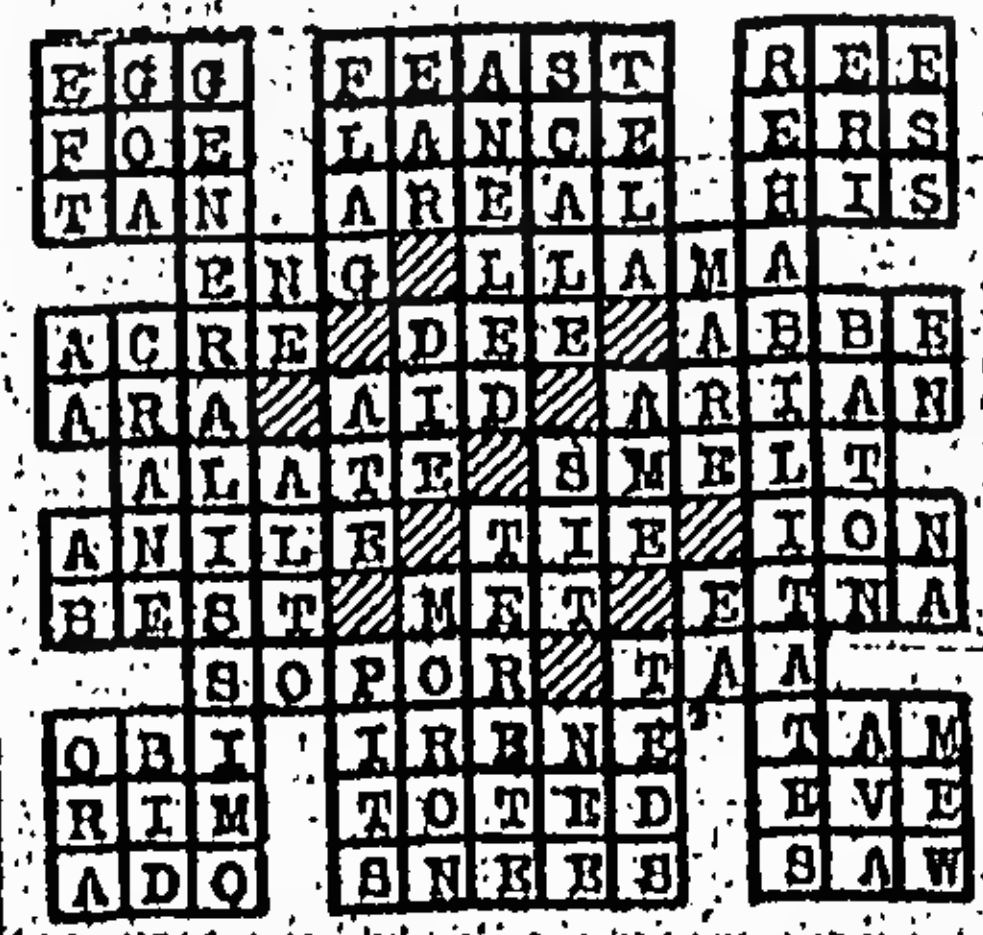
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- 1 Egyptian goddess.
- 5 Greek portico.
- 9 Aphorism.
- 12 Sand mound.
- 13 Seed plant.
- 14 Constellation.
- 15 To make beloved.
- 17 Mulberry.
- 18 Free.
- 19 Accurate.
- 21 To what away.
- 23 Midwestern state.
- 27 Preposition.
- 28 Wind instruments.
- 29 To breathe convulsively.
- 31 Fuel.
- 34 Note of scale.
- 35 Made fun of.
- 36 To exist.
- 39 English river.
- 41 Born.
- 42 To assign.
- 44 Eleven.
- 46 Adventure.
- 48 Insignificant.
- 51 To carry.
- 52 War god.

VERTICAL

- 1 European fish.
- 2 Heavenly body.
- 3 Poetic.
- 4 Hindustan.
- 5 To raise up the shoulders.
- 6 Symbol for tellurium.
- 7 Anglo-Saxon money.
- 8 Competent.
- 9 Malayan garment.
- 10 Barren.
- 11 To walk with effort.
- 16 Ascended.
- 20 Simplest.
- 22 Artificial language.
- 23 Additional.
- 24 Alpine goat.
- 25 Symbol for cobalt.
- 26 To bow.
- 30 To censure.
- 32 In bed.
- 33 Withered.
- 36 Female ruff.
- 37 Relics.
- 40 In existence.
- 43 Note of scale.
- 45 Pronoun.
- 47 Poisonous snake.
- 48 City in Italy.
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Tough Time Ahead For British Women

A HUNTING HORN rouses a quiet Home Counties village with the "Gone away!" It is the six o'clock Reveille for a hundred women of the Mechanised Transport Corps, who are in camp, writes a correspondent.

Miss Bridget Greig, the young cadet officer whose duty it is to blow the horn, says: "It's better than a bugle. It carries a long way." The camp, which ends on Saturday, is a testing-ground for women who have volunteered for service in Africa as ambulance drivers.

Of the 70 recruits under canvas (30 of the 100 are officers and instructors), the 55 fittest and most efficient will be sent to Kenya this autumn with 24 ambulances. They will serve with the South African Forces.

Twenty-six others, who left England this summer, have already arrived in Africa.

Officer commanding this new squad will be slim, elegant Mrs. Keith Newall, expert in interior decoration. She will take charge of the whole M.T.C. force in Kenya.

She has two daughters, one of whom, Miss Armida Macindoe, was married recently to Captain Ivo Reid, Welsh guards.

Her second-in-command is Mrs. G. E. Hall, who has travelled widely and knows Africa well.

Third officer will be Lady Bailey, widow of Sir Abe Bailey, the South African millionaire.

Lady Bailey, who is a noted pilot, left the Women's section of the Air Transport Auxiliary in June. She was a driver for the Air Ministry during the last war. Junior officers are being selected from the girls in camp.

"We do not pretend to reproduce African conditions in this camp," Lady Bailey said. "The idea is to accustom recruits to living under canvas and fending for themselves."

From Other Services

The M.T.C. is the only women's corps sending detachments from this country to Kenya, and in the camp were found several others who had left rival Services because they wanted to serve overseas "for the duration."

There were several London ambulance drivers, two A.T.S. officers, and an A.T.S. sergeant. A "WAAF" arrived in her sky-blue uniform to join the camp while I was there.

One recruit, Mrs. Duncan Miller, came from Perth for the camp. And I was told that two of the women are particularly anxious to get to Kenya. Their husbands are there.

I went the rounds with Mrs. Mocatta, the officer in command of the camp. The 50 tents under the tall beech trees were as spick and span as a Guards' camp.

Kit was neatly stowed off the ground on shelves made of sticks lashed together.

Insist On Salutes

Here and there a recruit in the khaki drill dress which is the summer uniform of the M.T.C. stood smartly to attention and saluted.

"We insist on punctilious saluting," said Mrs. Mocatta, "and I also believe in a certain amount of army drill. Drill not only smartens up a recruit, but it seems to brace her mentally as well."

"Most of the women from Kenya are between 25 and 35, which I consider the ideal age."

In one tent a white-coated doctor was examining girls to be sure they were fit for the rigours of the African climate.

Outside the stores tent Girl Guides were preparing a big pumpkin for dinner. Others attended to the camp fires.

For the M.T.C. are too busy driving and drilling to have much time for domestic work other than certain "fatigues."

Seven Guides volunteered to go into camp with them to act as cooks.

Pretty Sergeant-Major

I also met the "sergeant-major."

She is the prettiest sergeant-major any soldier would like to see. Her official title is Company Head Driver Mary Wyndham. And though she drills the Kenya recruits with due authority, she herself is too young to go abroad with them.

"We put our watches an hour forward," said Mrs. Mocatta, "so when we say our reveille is seven, it is six o'clock B.S.T."

The day is a strenuous round of driving, drill, mapping, first aid,

ICE-CREAM NAVY

A Motto has been suggested for the Italian Navy. It is: "Stop me and sink one."

HOW NAZI LOSS IS HIDDEN

The German Air Command are going to extraordinary lengths to conceal from their personnel the heavy losses in aircraft and men engaged in raids on Britain.

Nazi airmen shot down over Britain and taken prisoner have revealed that air crews who survive raids on Britain never make two raids running with the same squadron.

This applies particularly to bomber pilots, observers, and gunners, who are being changed about so much that they often arrive at a base only an hour or two before they take off. Consequently the pilots and crews do not even know each other's name.

In the R.A.F. it is the practice for pilots and crews to stick together and gain implicit confidence in each other.

By keeping their crews constantly moving from squadron to squadron, the Nazis spread over the gaps in the various messes after raids on Britain.

Coached Separately

It has been revealed that only two or three aircraft from each squadron are sent on raids. They rendezvous with "planes from other squadrons at carefully worked out times and places, and then proceed on their raids. Each section has been coached separately on the target to be bombed, which explains to some extent why the aiming of the Nazi raiders is so often wide of the mark.

All R.A.F. crews spend hours together "briefing" a target before setting out.

It has also been revealed that the constant bombing by the R.A.F. of Nazi-occupied aerodromes and ports in Brittany has caused German army generals to consider seriously the advisability of evacuating those areas. The French come out and cheer when the R.A.F. come over, while the Germans run to cover.

BELGIAN FASCIST FREED

Leon Degrelle, leader of the Belgian Rexist-Fascist party, has been able to "re-establish contact with his party," says the official German News Agency. Degrelle was arrested by the Belgians after the German invasion and sent to France.

camp craft, repairing and "unditching" ambulances.

Favourite off-duty relaxation is cricket. Ex-Roedean girls have knocked up some pretty scores. And the other evening they had a five-mile route march.



Proud as a peacock, Baby Sandy poses for her picture, wearing her first silk 'nightie'—part of her wardrobe in Universal's "Sandy Is A Lady." The child star shows just how a two-year-old "glamour girl" should look before retiring.

GIRLS HELD BY GUNMEN

Two schoolgirls aged sixteen, and a youth of seventeen were kidnapped as hostages by six escaped convicts, and were heard pleading for their lives in a wood near Columbia, Louisiana, after being used as shields in a gun battle in which a sheriff was killed.

The girls, blonde Gladys Diamond, daughter of the Mayor of Rayville, and brunette Voncille Williams, were kidnapped by the convicts, led by notorious Arkansas holdup man Ding Harvey, when driving with their friend Jerry Harrigal.

Harvey had escaped from Arkansas Prison with thirty-five other convicts who, breaking into small parties, spread terror throughout the countryside.

Early in the morning a sheriff's posse surprised Harvey and his five fellow convicts as Harvey was repairing a car at the roadside.

Bound And Screaming

Inside the car were Gladys, Voncille and Jerry Harrigal, bound with rope and screaming.

The convicts dropped behind the car and opened fire, killing Sheriff Gertman.

Then, lifting up the girls and the youth, they fled into the woods.

A lone searcher, Edward Deane, heard the girls begging in a wood for their lives while the convicts threatened them.

Deane was forced to run away when met with a hail of shots.

Now bloodhounds are searching the wood and planes are hovering overhead in another attempt to capture the convicts and save the girls.

CHINESE DAILY IN NEW YORK

A New Chinese Language paper, "The China Daily News," is now being published by Chinese cultural workers in New York in support of the Chinese National Government's policy of resistance and strengthening solidarity among Overseas Chinese, says a report to the "Chong Yien Pao."

The editorial of the new paper is to discredit Japan's "peace offensive" in China, and the co-operation of Chinese cultural circles in China is being sought.

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CHAMPIONS OF CIVILISATION

It is said that some animals can lose a leg without knowing it. Is civilisation like that? Or is it awake to its peril? After Tuesday night's savage bombing of London one wonders. Other cities, other peoples have been subjected to this kind of crime—the Chinese, the Ethiopians, the Spaniards, Poles, Finns, Norwegians, Dutch, Belgians, and French. Ruthless aggressors have spared no treasure of person or possession. Now they unleash on the greatest capitals of civilisation their boasted utmost of destruction. Will what remains of the civilised world be merely horrified or will it arouse itself to make sure that the new barbarism shall be turned back for good?

This struggle over London is the complete symbol of the largely unseen struggle of civilisation against barbarism. Every pilot of the Royal Air Force, every bargee at the Thames docks, every humble householder in the East End is a champion of world culture and Christianity. After all the hairsplitting over the war's causes, all the totalitarians' twisted propaganda, all weighing of past mistakes, that is the simple fact.

Those who cherish the best the human spirit has known sense this situation. The spirit of Londoners against odds which no one dared count is beyond praise. Their magnificent courage has been truly voiced by Winston Churchill, the nation's spiritual strength by Lord Halifax.

But one of the most confident tributes to the British people's staying power comes from the writings of an American:

Let who will fail, England will not. These people have sat here a thousand years, and here will continue to sit. They will not break up or arrive at any desperate revolution, like their neighbours; for they have as much energy, as much confidence of character, as they ever had.

Emerson wrote that a hundred years ago. It is true to-day. And all who give thanks for those who stand so staunchly in the front line can find means of making their gratitude effective.

FOR THE TAKING



PARRISH in the "Chicago Tribune."

Democracy's Other Ally

As the first year of the war comes to its end, Britain fights on alone in Europe against the anti-democratic forces of Nazism and Fascism. Nominally, of course, England still has allies. Poland, Norway, and the Low Countries are still formally aligned with the British Empire, although these countries, like France, have been overrun by Germany. But it is Great Britain which in actual practice bears alone the brunt of the battle against aggression in Europe.

The war, however, is not merely a European conflict. Every week that passes makes it increasingly clear that this is a world-wide struggle. No continent can be certain of remaining isolated for long. Africa is already embroiled. On the opposite side of the earth Australia is under no illusions as to what its fate would be if Britain were defeated. America clings anxiously to uncomfortable non-belligerency. — all that is left of its outmoded isolationism. From the Atlantic to the Pacific the conviction is slowly spreading across the North American continent that this is a world war against evil forces that imperil all civilisation. Precisely because the United States does look westward to the Orient, as well as keeping watch on the Atlantic, it is perhaps more aware than preoccupied Europe that, in Asia too, the struggle in defence of democracy is under way. In fact, while Europe's conflict is only nearing the end of its first year, China's fight against aggression moves on into its fourth year.

The essential similarity, if not outright unity, between China's struggle in Asia, and Britain's in Europe, is fairly obvious. Yet it has not been much emphasised. At times, even, it is almost overlooked in more acute anxiety over the war in the West.

Nevertheless, China to-day is in the fullest sense democracy's other ally. Britain, its back to the wall before the threat of German invasion, is not fighting alone. China, too, is at war for freedom's sake. At bay for many months against the mechanised, better equipped, and better trained Japanese troops, China has fought on. Among those who have done most to forward an understanding of China's role in the defence of democratic civilisation, Dr. Quo Tai-chi ranks high. For the past

eight years, Dr. Quo Tai-chai has been Chinese Ambassador in London. American educated—he is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania—Dr. Quo is acknowledged to be China's leading diplomatist in Europe. He has twice been Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs and has held other important posts in the Chinese Government. More important still, perhaps, he is, to all who know him, a gracious living symbol of the truly democratic charm and deep culture that is China.

In an interview at the Chinese Embassy in London, Dr. Quo Tai-chi emphasised the underlying unity of the great democratic peoples, particularly Britain, China, and the United States. "Supported both economically and morally

By
Mallory Browne

by America, China in the East, and Great Britain in the West, are the two main outposts of freedom and democracy. Each is now being attacked within its citadel. Yet both are busy preparing to go forth at the right moment and carry the war into the enemy's camp. Both remain confident of survival, of ultimate victory, and of worldwide reassertion."

But in this connection Dr. Quo referred to the increasing importance of the United States as "the world's arsenal" and mentioned the fact that the trade record for the first four months of this year of exports and imports between the United States and Japan showed a considerable increase as compared with that for the same period last year, and appealed to the American Government and people, with their traditional friendship for China and their sense of fair play and justice, to stop further war supplies to an aggressor nation.

Listing the services which China is rendering to British—and therefore indirectly to American—democracy in this historic crisis, Dr. Quo Tai-chi put first the fact that China by her continued resistance "now holds Japan bogged down in the Far East so that she cannot so easily imitate Germany and Italy in their blackmailing adventures. She cannot now play both ends against the middle—as

she undoubtedly longs to do."

Admitting that this partial immobilisation of Japan is not unconnected with the fact that the United States has been keeping its fleet based at Hawaii, Dr. Quo nevertheless points out that China's active resistance is at least as important a factor as American naval manœuvres.

"A second important Chinese contribution to the struggle against mechanised aggression," he said, "is that our successful resistance has proved it is possible to withstand and to defeat the robot forces of motorised military might when the correct strategy and tactics are utilised. Our policy has been to trade space for time. This policy has justified itself through more than three years of fighting. The fact that we are still fighting after three years, and fighting with good grounds for our hopes of victory, surely must mean much to-day to beleaguered Britain, not only idealistically but practically."

A third important contribution which China is making, Dr. Quo listed as "the development, generations sooner than would otherwise have been the case, of the great south-western and north-western provinces of China." This immense area in the heart of Asia constitutes "a self-contained empire in itself," he said. Here the world's three populations converge: India, China, Russia, with more than 1,000,000,000 people and with untold riches, under the earth, in the soil, and in the sturdiness and industry of the prolific peoples.

"We have only begun to realise the potentialities for peace in the future, like those for war in the present or future, that lie in this new Chinese hinterland that is to-day no longer a hinterland." In this inner empire, he said, China is carrying out industrial and educational projects of vast proportions. Already the Chinese manufacture most of the small arms used by their armies, and even some of the heavier armament is now being produced locally. The industrial co-operative movement has advanced by leaps and bounds. Schools and universities have been opened and are being multiplied. The machinery of democratic government has not only been preserved, but, despite the stress of war, is actually being developed. Dr. Quo Tai-chi declared:

Counting Chickens?

It is not wise, says the proverb, to count one's chickens before they are hatched. I doubt whether this form of wisdom has ever been justified of her children. Back in the early nineties of last century the Professor of Philosophy at whose feet I sat in Berlin University used to explain, with many citations of Aristotle, that true happiness consists in activity of body or mind with some hope or prospect of success. It was not, he explained, the success that mattered; it was the activity which one felt to have a chance of succeeding.

On this principle quite a large number of my fellow countrymen must at this moment be feeling happy. Their thoughts and their pens are active in the hope, and with what they believe to be the prospect, of sketching out the main features of the better Britain, the better Europe and the better sort of world which we, our Allies and well-wishers must and shall fashion when we have won the war.

This fact, for fact it is, throws a revealing sidelight on our state of thought at a time when our whole country is an armed and fortified camp, and we are supposed to be awaiting obliteration at the hands of Adolf Hitler. Those who do not live among us, may be pardoned for wondering whether we are not whistling to keep our courage up as they read or hear our asseverations that we

By Wickham Steed

are not afraid, and are ready for the worst Hitler can do. Yet the simple and unrecorded truth is that large numbers of our people feel sure enough of themselves and of the triumph of our cause to spend hours and days and weeks in trying to work out a policy for all-round renovation when the war has been won.

There was nothing like this in the first two years of the last World War. Not until the end of 1916 did the Western Allies begin to put down on paper their "war aims," and then only at the request of President Woodrow Wilson. What they put down was by no means a world-shaking statement. Indeed, "war aims" only began to take definite and almost revolutionary shape after the same President Wilson had delivered his "Fourteen Points" address to Congress on January 8, 1918. That address shook the world, not so much because it was delivered by a President of the United States, as because it said, broadly, what the great majority of the Allied peoples were dimly feeling and thinking. It foreshadowed a better sort of world.

Imperial Germany rejected it offhand—but invoked it as the basis for an armistice nine months later when military defeat stared her in the face. So a halting peace was presently made on the foundation of a hasty armistice. The trouble was that the Governments of the European Allies had not co-ordinated their policies with President Wilson's "principles," and that President Wilson had not thought out the practical applications of his "principles." Therefore, in course of time, the peace was lost.

This is where the activity of so many thoughts and pens among us comes in to-day. They take it for granted that we shall win the war—because we must. But they want to make sure that we shall also win the peace for others besides ourselves. Hitler, they see, has swept through a great part of Europe like a tornado. He is carrying out a bad revolution, a revolution of destruction and enslavement. We must carry through a good revolution, a revolution of constructive liberation. It must be at once political, economic, and social. It must rid the world of the nightmare of armed aggression. We must prepare for it, plan for it, now. Chickens are never hatched without warmth and air. If we give our ideal chickens warmth and air it may help them to break their eggshells at the right moment.

These are the thoughts that run through many minds in "belonged Britain." Before very long they may take concrete shape; and—who knows?—they may even help to win the war by offering other people hope and a pledge that peace, when it comes, will not again be lost.

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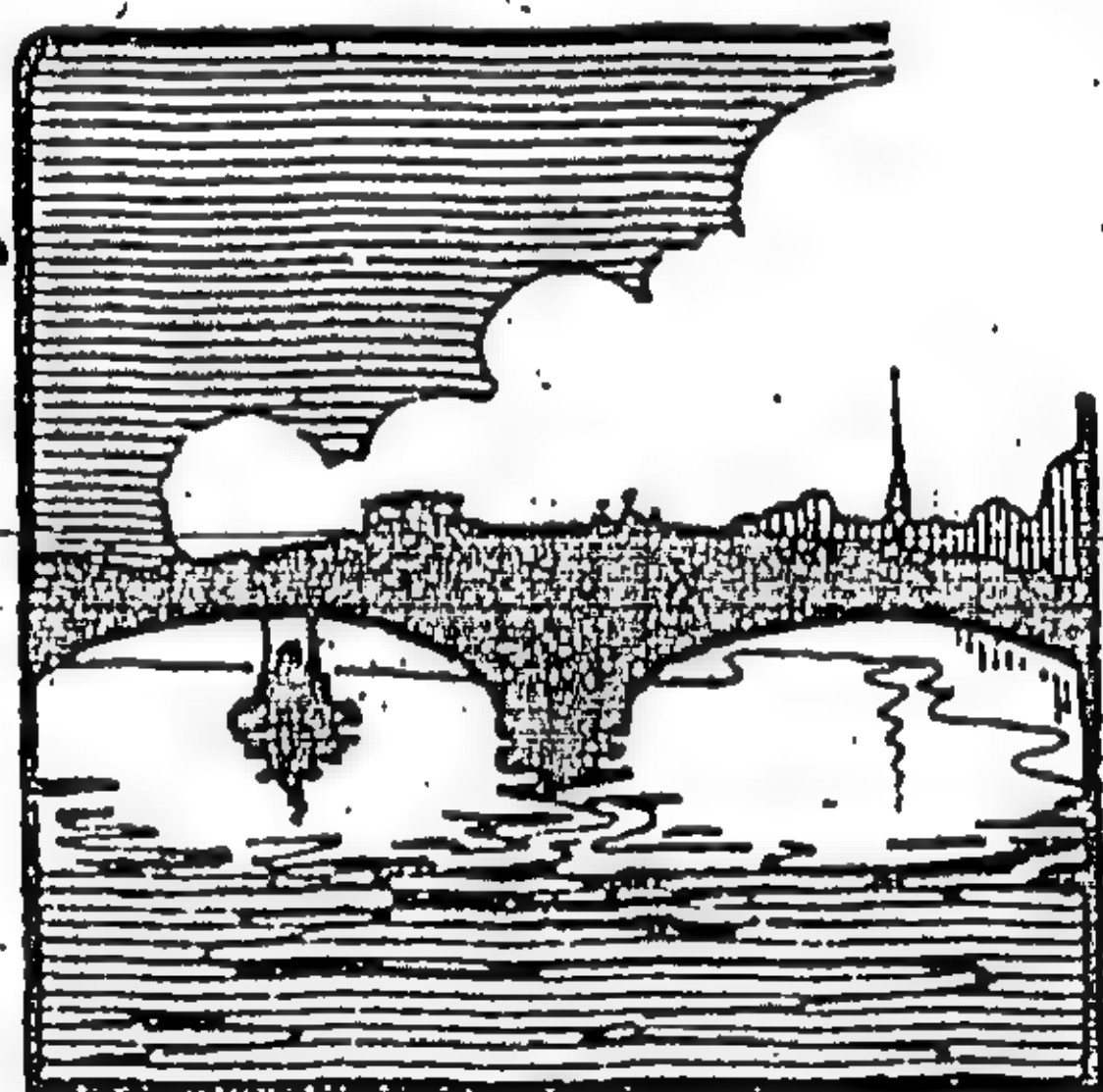
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MEN DENY PLAN TO EVADE ARMY

POLICE ACTION to "scotch" a dangerous conspiracy, bordering on sabotage, was disclosed at Sheffield by Mr. J. J. McAvoy, prosecuting, when four men, alleged to be members of the Fourth International, appeared.

It was alleged they plotted to avoid military service by the use of stolen medical board cards. Letters were read during the case, one of which, according to Mr. McAvoy, made a definite threat to burn down property and mentioned an act of contemplated sabotage.

The four men were: Frederick Jackson, aged 24, of no fixed address; Arthur Osborne Garlick Carford, 52, of Portobello, Sheffield; Charles Bernard Ward, 26, of Ellison Street, Sheffield; and William Beet, 25, of Embassy Court-flats, Sheffield.

At the outset Mr. McAvoy commented: "In this country one has to go to the expensive procedure of sending these men for trial. In other countries they would be dealt with summarily and expeditiously."

Jackson, Carford, and Beet, he alleged, were ringleaders in the plot to dodge the Army.

Jackson left London to avoid military service, and one of his objects in coming to Sheffield was to organise a society to carry on subversive propaganda.

Carford, he said, was a medical orderly at the Ministry of Labour. He agreed with Jackson to obtain Medical Board grade cards from the office, including some exempting men from the Service.

He was arrested as he was leav-

ing the offices with 12 grade cards and three keys to the premises.

When Jackson was arrested the police did not realise how deep the conspiracy was and he was released on bail. He immediately left Sheffield, but was subsequently found in London.

A great amount of subversive propaganda was discovered at his premises, together with letters, but in the letters only Christian names and initials were used.

"Lucky Fluke"

One letter said that "the old man, Comrade A.C.," had got a job as orderly to the local medical board.

"In view of his notoriety, this seems amazing," the letter added. "We have considered the possibility of a police trap, but the job seems a gigantic lucky fluke. At any rate, we have to take a risk and sacrifice the old man in the last analysis."

Mr. McAvoy said that when Carford was seen by the police he had a duplicate key of the board's chairman's room. He had the names and addresses of 20 people whom he thought would be willing to join the organisation because they were fed up with the Communist Party.

Mr. McAvoy read statements by Carford, Jackson, and Beet, and said they disclosed something of what happened, but a great mass of information had been held back.

He added: "A dangerous conspiracy has been disclosed, but fortunately the police have been able to scotch it."

Det. Sergeant Ward said that Carford told him that he found the grade cards in the waste-paper basket, and intended to return them to the medical chairman.

No Fourth International propaganda was found at Beet's house.

Sergeant Ward added that Carford was well known to him as a man holding extreme views. He was amazed when he got the job as medical orderly.

The four men, committed for trial, pleaded not guilty and reserved their defence.

KING VISITS B.B.C.

The King and Queen visited Broadcasting House and spent two and a half hours in the Empire and Overseas Departments. They were guided by Mr. F. W. Ogilvie, the Director General. They chatted with the B.B.C. matron about A.R.P. arrangements, and spent some time in the Indian section. Sir Noel Ashbridge, the chief engineer, explained technical details.

COIN MACHINE FILMS

Piccadilly Circus may soon have its first coin machine-cinema show.

Drop a coin in a slot machine and you will see and hear a sound-film projected on the wall of a bar, a cafe, a cocktail lounge or an hotel foyer.

One hundred thousand such machines are being distributed in the United States. In England a sixpence should give a 25-minute show.

BOMBED RAMSGATE WANTS A SPY HUNT

Business men in Ramsgate, perturbed by the recent bombing of the town, are convinced that from somewhere in or near the town information is being transmitted to the enemy.

In the lounge of an hotel, shortly after the raid that wrecked nearly 1,000 houses and shops, a dozen townsmen discussed the matter.

They argued that it could not be coincidence that bombers arrived over the town within a few minutes of British fighters landing at a neighbouring airfield.

It could not be coincidence, they said, that on a day when high officials came from London to inspect troops the Germans should bomb that particular area.

Search Bushes And Trees

An hotel proprietor said: "We have discussed this matter a lot lately among ourselves."

"We think the authorities should order a comb-out of every house and cottage near the airfield. They should search every tree, bush, outhouse and barn. We think they would find something."

Following similar complaints from other parts of the country, Special Branch officers, and officers of the War Office and R.A.F. Intelligence departments, have been ordered to investigate every report, no matter how trivial it seems.

Police have received special instructions to watch for signals during air raids.

In a London suburb wardens and members of the Home Guard were convinced that light signals of some kind were given, and their reports are being investigated.

DISEASE IN ITALY

FROM A NEUTRAL DIPLOMATIST JUST RETURNED FROM ITALY IT IS LEARNED THAT AS A SEQUEL TO PREVAILING MALNUTRITION THE DISEASE PELLAGRA HAS AGAIN MADE AN APPEARANCE THERE.

This was formerly a scourge of the rice-growing areas and certain other Northern agricultural districts where the peasants lived on polenta, a dish made from maize, and on little else. It was at one time believed to be produced by diseased maize, but was later traced to a lack of vitamins.

Those affected begin by showing dizziness and inability to work; in the later stages of severe cases the brain is affected. What appears to be lacking in Italy is a balanced diet. There are four meatless days a week, which means that macaroni and polenta are the staple foods and are too little varied. Utilization of the railways for military purposes has interfered with the regular distribution of fruit and vegetables.



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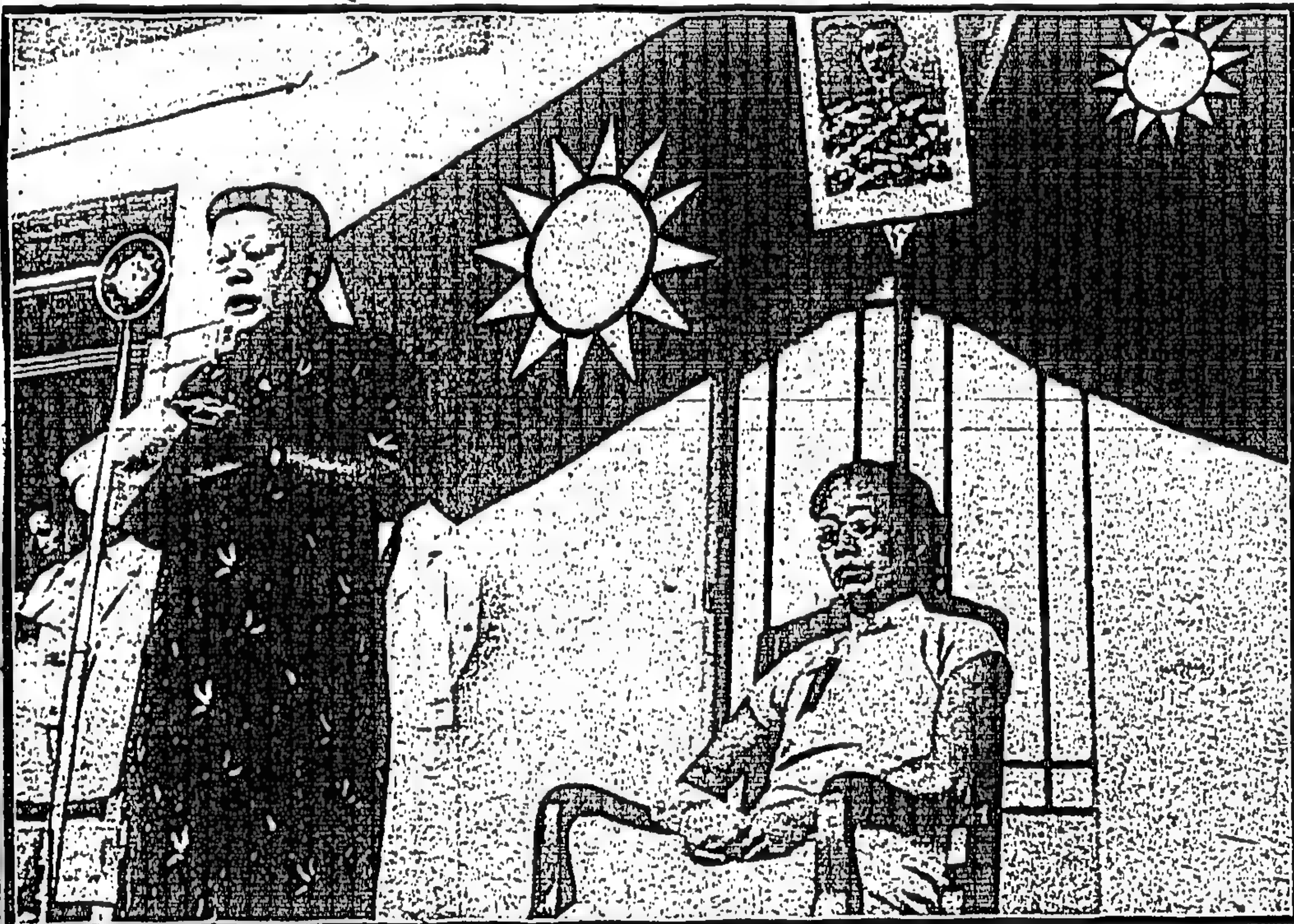
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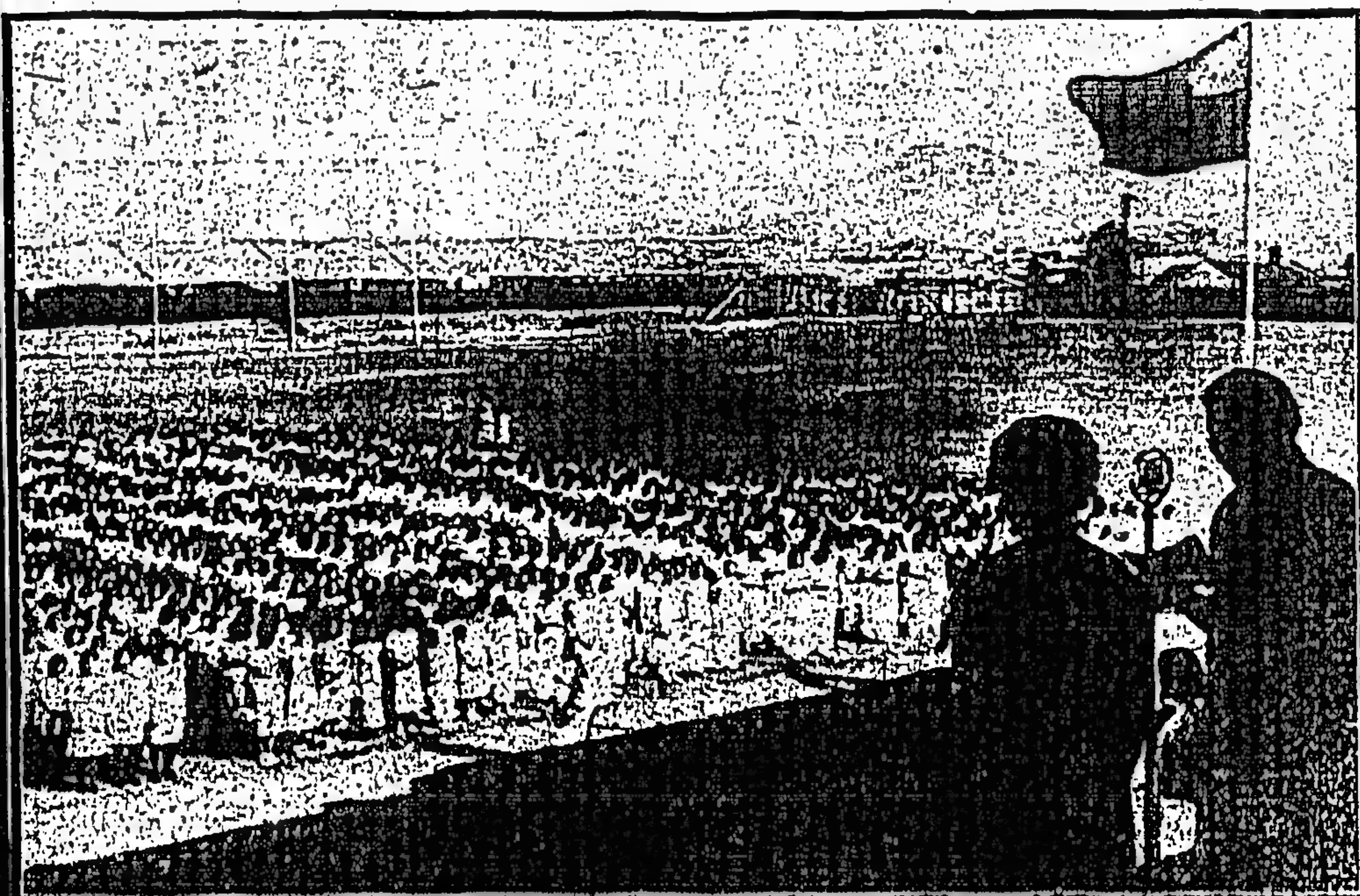
A Chinese dinner party was given, for the first time since His Excellency's arrival in the Colony, to the Acting Governor by four prominent representatives of the Chinese community at the residence of Sir Robert Kotewall. Among guests in the picture are Mr. M. K. Lo, Rear-Admiral Peters, Mr. Eu Ton-sen, Captain Batty-Smith, Li Koon-chun, Mr. R. A. C. North and Mr. W. N. T. Tam. (Kahn).



Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. L. Wong photographed after their wedding. The bride was formerly Miss Anna Chu. (King's Studio).



Miss Katie Woo giving her address at the Double Tenth flag raising ceremony at the South China Athletic Association ground.



A general view of the impressive Double Tenth ceremonies held at Caroline Hill by the Chinese Women's Relief Association.

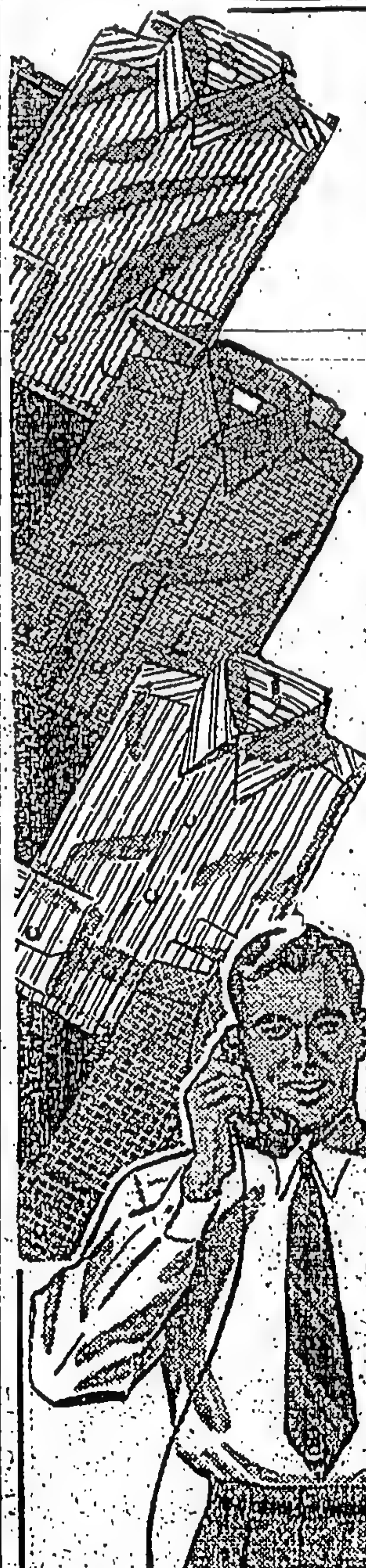
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SHORT STORY

The Condors' Revenge By V.G. CALDERON

I've never awakened an Indian by kicking him, though Captain Gonzalez, who had such a pretty, gold-handled whip, loaded with six inches of lead, once tried to teach me how to do it.

"Good-for-nothing!" roared the captain, twirling his Don Juan's moustache. "All these rogues are alike. I ordered him to saddle-up at five in the morning, and there he is sleeping like a hog at seven—I've got to be at Huaraz in two days."

The Indian was sleeping in the open air fully dressed, his head pillowed on an old saddle. At the first kick he stretched and got to his feet. I've never been able to make out whether the punishment produced anger or respect.

As he was rather slow in walking to his round of daily miseries, the soldier lashed him across the forehead. The Indian stood trembling, blood running off his face like tears! I was trembling myself, for I still had the sentimental prejudices of a theorist. I forcibly restrained the violent captain and so avoided further bloodshed.

"Idle good-for-nothing," repeated the tormentor. Then, turning his hard eyes towards me—"That's the way to treat these barbarians. You don't know them, doctor."

Captain Gonzalez had conferred a university degree on me as soon as he saw my shining boots, my new cloak, unstained by the weather, and my guileless townsman's charity. Last night, after winning four Peruvian pounds from me at checkers in the mean little harbour inn, he adopted me with a paternal smile, saying, "Let's travel to Huaraz together, dear doctor. We'll have some fine fun with my lot of an Indian, he's

got a girl friend in every cottage. He served under me last year, and now the Prefect, who's a friend of mine, has sent him to me as an orderly. He's scared to death of my little whip!"

For some time I examined admiringly the skillfully woven rattans of the "little whip," whose lash gradually narrowed, to end in a ball of lead—irresistible, no doubt, when applied to the backs of animals or Indians.

The martial voice rang once more through the court-yard of the inn:—

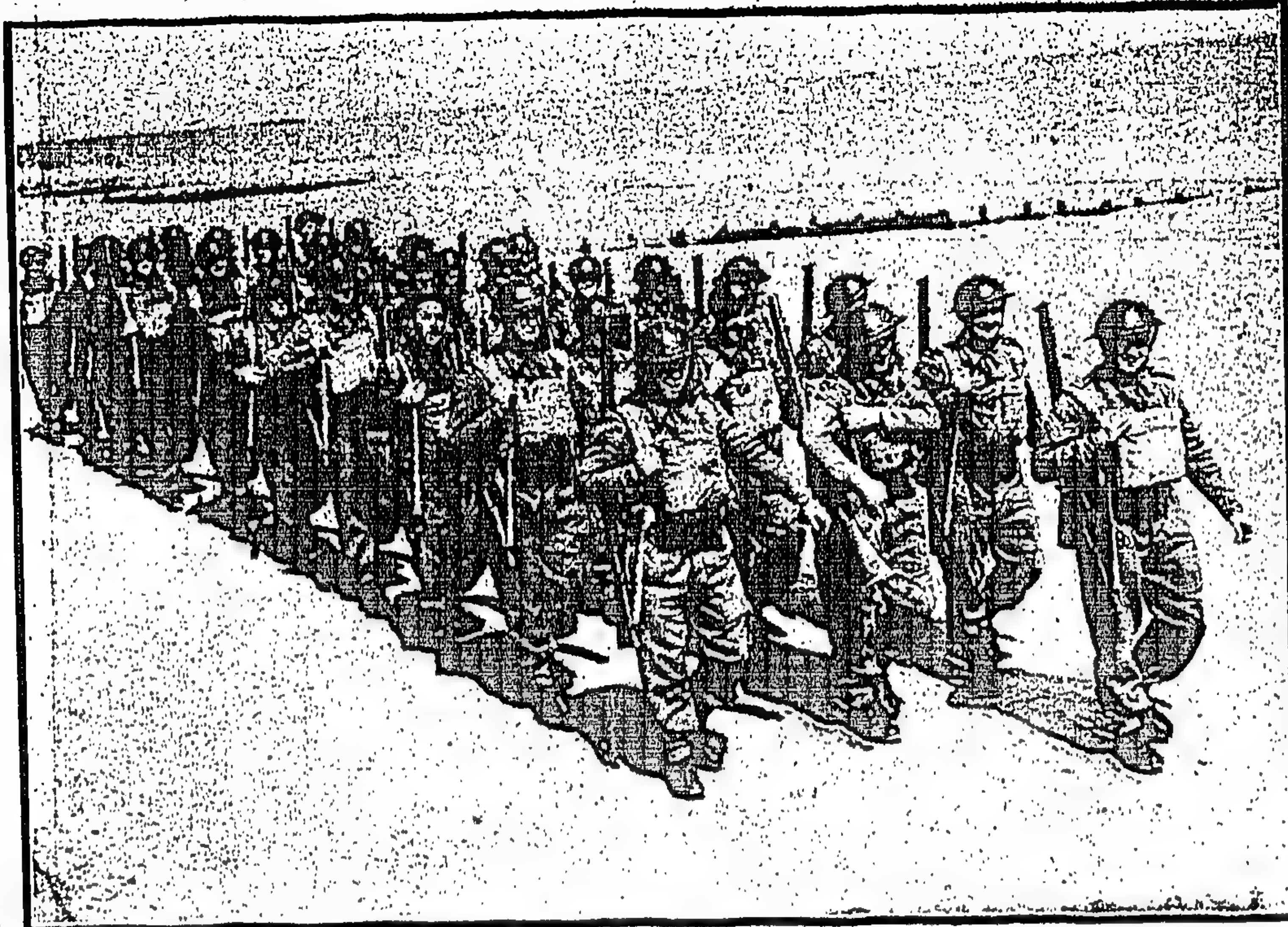
"And the black fur cloak, you dog? You'll catch it if you don't hurry!"

"I'm fetching it now mister." And the Indian plunged into the stable in search of the fur cloak. Ten, twenty, thirty minutes, which provoked in orchestral crescendo an explosion of the most varied invective.

Native interjections jostled God and Virgin on the lips of the captain as in the rites of the mountain witches. But the orderly, that most admirable guide, could not be found anywhere in the port, and so Captain Gonzalez set out alone promising him more disastrous punishments in the future.

"Don't go with the captain, he's a barbarian," advised the innkeeper, and so I delayed my departure on the ground that I had to make some purchases. Two hours later, while I was saddling my fine trotting mule, a touse-headed man in a dusty sheepskin cape came up to me and murmured: "Shall I come with you, mister?"

Should he come! It was the lost Indian. For an hour I also had been looking for a guide who



Men of the Royal Scots Fusiliers marching on a beach of the East Coast where they are undergoing training. (Copyright, Fox).

could lead me over the bad passes of the Sierra, and mend the narrow road between the rocks and the abyss, which the rains or a single fall of stones can destroy in a matter of seconds.

I agreed without fixing any price, and the man explained in his broken speech that I should meet him at the gates of the village.

I had stopped at a cottage to ask for a cup of that horrid maize liquor which has such a cheering effect, when I saw him ride up. His jennet, though lame seemed more spirited than my mule.

The guide led off without more ado. We went by short cuts and difficult passes. When the sun began to roast us he produced a bowl of cooling "chicha" and some puffed maize, soft and woolly.

I must say I enjoyed a much softer bed that night than I should have been able to make for myself out of capes, ponchos and the saddle, at a wayside inn.

The next day was more eventful. Though servile and humble as ever, my companion stopped unnecessarily often at the cottage doors along the road as though asking for news, in soft Quechua speech.

The Indian women who passed me the gourd of "chicha" looked attentively at me, and I thought I could detect an unexpected friendliness in their eyes, though one never knows for certain what these poor slaves are thinking. Two or three times the guide broke the silence to tell me, in his childish language, the sort of stories which would make a traveller's flesh creep.

Simple stories of travellers rolling down the precipice because a rock had suddenly slipped from the Andean mountainside, and carried them with it to the bottom of the gorge, where their bones lie washed in the foaming river.

Against my will I began to be impressed. In the evening the Andes are like great grey tombs, and I shuddered in the mist that rises like a visible melancholy from the blue table-lands to the snow-capped peaks. The road, nicked out of the rock above the perilous gorge, seemed to lead us, as in some ancient sacred allegory, towards a sinister goal.

But the same Indian who had trembled beneath the whip was now a fearless acrobat, swinging easily out of his saddle to take the bridle of my frightened, shivering mule, which slithered on the loose stones and gazed fascinated into the abyss.

An hour of this sort of progress set my nerves on edge, and the very whistling of the wind among the rocks made me feel giddy. The condors, familiar spirits of the high peaks, now passed so near that their wings fanned my face and I could see the glare of their eyes.

We had reached a narrow defile, from which I could catch a glimpse of the yellowish cactus-covered tableland, breaking the drab monotony of the mountain range. The guide suddenly muttered, "You wait here, mister." In an instant he was gone.

I waited for him in vain, my heart sinking, my fingers on the butt of my revolver. I cried encouragement to my wavering mule, who, with ears twitching like weathercocks in the wind, measured the danger and listened for death. A deep sound vibrated on the mountain, in the heights something had begun to roll.

Suddenly, fifty yards from me a flock of condors slanted downwards. And then, quite distinctly, for I had reached a bend in the road, I saw a dark mass gliding and bounding in a cloud of dust down the neighbouring mountain side. A man? A horse? Perhaps a man and a horse, splashing the sharp rocks with their blood and finally staining the foaming river far below.

Shaking with horror, I waited while the mountains threw back and forth the echo of that mortal cataract. A cone of drab swirls like a whirlpool above the bodies.

Sliding forward with the furtive step of a viscacha, the Jennet appeared, bearing my guide, who, taking my mule by the bridle, murmured in a sorrowful voice, like a sigh, "That was the captain, mister."

"The Captain?" My eyes opened wide with astonishment. The Indian threw me an insupportable look and explained, in reply to my flood of questions, that "sometimes, mister, as a traveller stands on the edge of the precipice, the insolent condors graze his shoulder

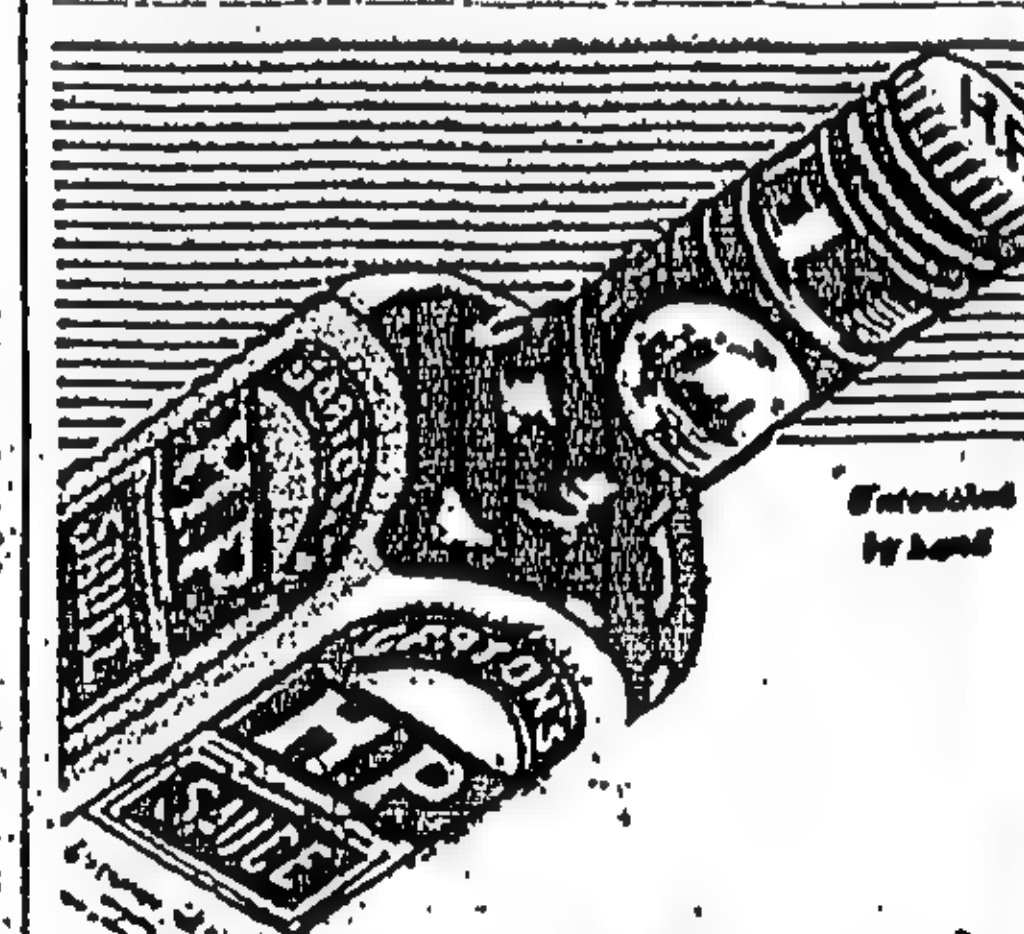
er with their wings, he loses his balance and topples into the chasm; that's what happened to Captain Gonzalez, poor chap."

Removing his wide felt hat, he crossed himself to prove to me that he was speaking the truth. With the gesture of a conjurer he pointed to the great whirling birds already devouring their prey.

I asked no more questions, for there are secrets in my country which the Indians cannot explain to white men. Perhaps there is a dark pact between them and the condors to be revenged on us for our intrusion. But I learned from this incomparable guide who left me at the gate of Huaraz, having kissed my hand and refused all payment, that it is sometimes imprudent to affront with a pretty whip the resignation of a conquered people.

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What The British Blockade Means

"In a total war the economic blockade must be considered as the principal weapon." That proposition will be found in a book published in German by Stefan Th. Possony, an authority in matters of strategy and an economist of considerable reputation. The book deals with "the economy of total war," and the passage quoted above gives a clear idea of German thought on the subject of blockade. As for "total" war, it was the German general, Ludendorff, who in a now famous work was the most fanatical exponent of the conception of a war which should demand the employment of the maximum resources of a country, at the highest degree of intensity and with utter ruthlessness, in order to achieve a lightning victory.

It is precisely this two-edged process which the rulers of the Reich are putting into practice in the present conflict. On land the Germans have followed the ideas outlined in Possony's book—"the land offensive must be powerfully supported by an army of tanks and aeroplanes."

But what is the economic situation which this German military process creates? It must be borne in mind that mechanised warfare is not only one of destruction, but that it has brought in its wake the enslavement to Germany of many nations on the continent of Europe. That being so, it is clear that however great may be the booty which is robbed from the peoples conquered by Germany, the economic result is nothing short of disastrous for the Reich itself.

German Debility

By reducing twentieth century warfare to the level of barbarian devastations, the new German system of war results in a terrible reduction of the economic wealth of the conquered nations, without conferring any real compensating

benefit, however, on German economy. The German people is no better off. On the contrary: by the impoverishment of all the vital forces of the conquered nations, the position of the German people is that of a military conqueror economically vanquished.

The economy of the German people has for long been in a state of extreme debility. The new German conquests will make its inferior standard of living permanent, for there will have to be further sacrifices in addition to those which the German people was called upon to make in order to

By
Robert Mackay

feed the German war machine. Besides, the economic welfare of a people depends on the welfare of other peoples.

On land therefore the policy of the Reich has achieved one result only: it has terribly reduced the economic potential of other peoples and thereby of its own. At sea, the consequences of German policy have been even more disastrous for the economy of the Reich. It is no doubt in order to hide that fact that German propaganda has given out recently this claim—as the Reich has conquered all the Western seaboard of Europe, from the Pyrenees to the north, the blockade of the Reich is without effect. But the truth is very different, and the facts themselves supply the best dementi of the German claim.

Resources Of Terrorism

It must not be forgotten that it was the Reich itself which, from the outset of war, tried to impose a blockade against England, without however disposing of any legitimate means to make it effective. To make up for that deficiency,

all the resources of terrorism were called in. Merchant ships were sunk without warning. Passenger liners were torpedoed and the defenceless crews of lightships were machine-gunned. All this was done without distinction of flag and without any respect for the neutrality of any nation.

Any ship that came near the coasts of the British Isles risked being sunk by German magnetic mines, by submarine and by aircraft. That was what the rulers of the Reich called a sea blockade! But the German attempt to isolate Great Britain from the world failed. British naval forces found appropriate means of defence against such acts of terrorism by sea, and the sea-borne commerce of all nations with Great Britain continued.

For nearly a century international usage has recognised the following principle as universal: a sea blockade to be binding must be made effective by any nation applying it. Germany could not and cannot fulfil that indispensable condition. On the contrary, she is faced by a naval force which can, in fact, impose such a blockade—the British Navy. The fact that Germany claims to dispose of certain Atlantic ports does nothing to modify that situation. Germany may claim to dispose of the ports. The fact is that she cannot use them. It is the British Navy which debars her from using them, and all the propaganda in the world cannot alter that simple fact.

Efficacy Counts

The fact that the region subjected to blockade is an extensive one does not in any way affect the principle of blockade. What counts is the efficacy of the blockade. Moreover, it is evident that, even before the era of Trafalgar, a sea blockade did not consist merely in drawing a cordon of warships round a port. In addition, the stupendous progress of maritime inventions has prodigiously enlarged the radius of action of sea power. On one condition, how-



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ever. The blockading power must effectively command the sea. The British Navy fulfils that condition. It is for that reason that to-day the British Navy is in a position to establish a long-distance blockade—a blockade not of harbours, but of ocean routes.

The Reich aspires to conquer the sea by land—a curious inversion of the historic process of conquests! But the attempt is a vain one. This modern German version of Napoleon's continental system, which incidentally failed miserably, has had but one result: it has made it much more difficult for Germany to obtain the products she requires from overseas countries. By her own action and through the enslavement of so many nations in Europe, Germany has closed all the doors which stood ajar and through which some contraband goods still managed to pass.

Navicert System

In the light of the above facts the reason for certain measures

which the British Government has adopted become quite clear. From now onwards, all ships, as well as cargoes, consigned to ports in Europe, to certain islands of the Atlantic and to certain neutral ports in North Africa, will have to be provided with navicerts issued by British authorities. That is a practical means of enforcing the control already exercised by the British Navy. The sea blockade of Germany will be a hundred per cent. blockade. But due consideration will be given to the requirements of neutrals. Indeed, the new system will be found to facilitate legitimate trading.

The new measures, by strengthening the blockade, render the economic blockade of Germany still more efficient. But they do more. They help to shorten the war by depriving Germany and Italy of many of the elements they require in order to give effect to their policy of conquest. Thus the sea blockade imposed by Great Britain serves the cause of humanity by serving the cause of peace.

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The following report was written by a pilot whose story is unique in the service. He is a flight-lieutenant, born in the United States, who has already shot down eight enemy aircraft and crippled three or four more. He took a short service commission in the Royal Air Force in 1936 and was posted to a fighter squadron. He writes:—

"I got my first German last November. It was the first enemy aircraft to be shot down in the Straits of Dover in this war. I was on patrol between Deal and Calais, leading a section of three Hurricanes from my squadron, when we spotted, at 12,000ft., a Dornier 17 Flying Pencil.

"He was about 2,000ft. below us and as we hadn't seen a German machine up to then, we went down carefully to make sure. We soon recognised him as an enemy, and as I turned to attack, he tried to attack me.

"My Hurricane very quickly outmanoeuvred him. I got on his tail and gave him three sharp bursts of fire. Another member of the section got in three bursts also, as he dived towards the clouds.

"The last I saw of him was just above sea-level. He had turned on his back and a moment later crashed into the sea.

"When we go back to the mess, we were handed a parcel. It contained a bottle of champagne—with the compliments of the Station Commander! You see, it was our first flight—and we'd won! In those days, one German aircraft was something to celebrate."

The Real War Starts

"We went over to France on May 10, when Hitler invaded the Low Countries. We went up that same afternoon. That time we

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didn't see anything, but the next day, we really started.

"We carried out three patrols east of Brussels, and on the third patrol we saw three Heinkel III's. We shot down one and badly damaged the other two. The day after that, we got two Heinkel III's, one of which was credited to me. I shot mine down from 12,000ft.

"All the same, those early skirmishes were child's play to what was to come later. On May 14, after we had escorted a number of Blenheim bombers into enemy territory, we were on our way back when we saw three Dornier 17 Flying Pencils.

"It was a trap, for when we gave chase to the Dorniers, we

suddenly found ourselves in the middle of between 50 and 60 Messerschmidt 109's and 110's.

"I was leading the flight that day, and when I realised how hopelessly outnumbered we were, I gave orders to the boys to sort out their own targets and not to keep formation.

"A Good Day"

"We broke up and began to set about the Messerschmidts. I got a Messerschmidt 110, and other members of the flight got four more. On the way back to our base, I saw two Henschel 126's, one of which I shot down. I damaged the other with the rest of my ammunition.

"It was a good day. We routed an overwhelming number of enemy fighters, beat up two of their army reconnaissance aircraft, and we all got home safely! Our bag on that day was six. There were six of us, so we averaged one each.

"There were several other days when we ran into heavy odds of enemy fighters. It is really amazing, looking back, that we should have had the success we had. But it certainly was a success each day.

"We never ran into the Germans without shooting some down.

"When we were patrolling Dunkirk, for instance, giving protection day after day to the B.E.F., we always got a few. I remember once, when we found ourselves in the thick of 6 squadrons of Messerschmidt 109's and 110's, we saw an unusual type of enemy fighter. They were the new Heinkel 113's. Naturally we couldn't resist the opportunity. We got one of each type of enemy fighter, and three or four 'probables'.

"I was attacking a Messerschmidt 110 when I suddenly realised that there were six Heinkel 113's on my tail. I made a very quick turn to get away from them and then shot down the Heinkel 113 on the extreme left of that particular formation.

"That was in the afternoon! We had had an 'appetiser' before lunch when we met 20 Heinkel 111 Bombers. I got one. He went down in flames. And others of the squadron got their share.

The Smoke of Dunkirk

"The smoke from innumerable fires in Dunkirk and other French coast towns was terrific about that time. A fellow pilot described it as being like a gigantic piece of dirty cotton wool lying right across the sea shore, following the coast down the Channel as far as he could see, even from two or three miles up. There were times when we found that same smoke of great assistance in outwitting enemy fighters.

"One of our squadron, for instance, used up all his ammunition in shooting down two Messerschmidt 110's one day and found himself being chased by two more.

"Without ammunition he could do nothing, so he dived into the smoke over Dunkirk. He emerged above the smoke a few miles away and there the Messerschmidts were still waiting for him.

"They simply stuck above the smoke waiting for him to emerge, a victim for their guns. But he outwitted them by diving back into the smoke and was able to slip away home, only to be off again into battle the same evening.

"We were stationed in France seven days. I remember that when we went away the roses were in bud; and when we came back they were in full bloom. In between, we'd had eleven glorious days of action."

An Exciting Episode

Here is the story of an exciting episode in the work of an R.A.F. bombing plane, told by the pilot:

"I was leading a bombing raid on strong enemy columns. After the task had been completed, my aircraft was attacked by seven Messerschmidt 109's. In the course of the pursuit the rear gunner of our bomber shot down one Messerschmidt in flames and disabled another.

"After that I found cover in a cloud. On emerging from it, however, our bomber was again



Chan Chun-wan (centre) who won the Chinese cross-hair race at North Point. On the winner's left is Yan Sai-kwan, the runner-up and on his right is Fung Chiu-cheong, who came third.

attacked by a stray Messerschmidt 110, from a range of only 50 yards. The attack was at once returned and, once more, the air-gunner saw his opponent burst into flames and dive headlong to the ground.

"During the duel, the German pilot had scored a number of hits which set the port petrol tank on fire. It was obvious that the bomber would soon be ablaze, so I gave the order to abandon aircraft. The observer jumped and made a safe landing. I then stood on the wing and was just about to jump when I saw that the rear-gunner was still inside the machine.

"I realised that he was wounded and saw that his parachute harness had become entangled with his gun. I got back into his cockpit, regained control of the aircraft and brought it safely to earth in flames. I then helped the gunner out of the machine, and within a few minutes of our getting clear the aircraft blew up."

New Zealanders Over The Ruhr

The following account of a visit to a Bomber Squadron was written by an officer of the R.A.F.V.R. from New Zealand.

"The grass, the oaks and the garden before the Officers' Mess were essentially English. The Station Commander was a mighty man with a voice which launched a battleship with every breath. He also was English. He stamped out a cigarette, leaned back in his chair and said, 'If you'll walk in under that arch, you'll find the New Zealand squadron. They're a fine lot of chaps. Damned good navigators. Good afternoon!'

"So I walked over the hot asphalt path and I found the Wing Commander, rotund, definite, but kind, born in Southern Canterbury. From that moment, we forgot England and talked of New Zealand. A pilot joined us from Otago. Then one from Stratford, who made a flight lasting no less than fourteen and a half hours over Norway, a few weeks ago.

"For one night I was to stay with the bomber squadron which was originally formed to fly out to New Zealand. But when war was declared, these New Zealanders stayed in Britain.

"They have already made history, over the North Sea and over enemy territory. No less than 114 sorties over Norway, Denmark, Germany, Holland, Belgium and France; nine amazing months during which they have given bitter punishment to the enemy with the loss of only one machine.

"For my visit I had chosen the night of a raid over the Ruhr. As darkness came, eighteen bombers were spattered against the moonlit sky. Dark and belligerent they waited. Then the pilot from Stratford, the cheerful one from Otago and one who had slipped with the memory of summer holidays on New Zealand beaches, eighteen of them, jumped into lorries and, from my corner beside the hangar, I saw the bombers rise in groups of three.

With a full moon silencing the tips of their wings, they disappeared towards the coast, towards the channel, over the country of the enemy to the Ruhr.

"It was a cold and lonely wait. The night passed. I knew, as I stood there, that they were dropping their bombs on the petrol dumps and the railway junctions of the Ruhr. The trees rustled in the wind. The immense buildings of the air force station seemed to grow bigger still, in the darkness. I heard a sentry's challenge and the clanging of a vast metal door.

"As morning was born over the horizon, the first bombers came back. They seemed to soar down to the landing ground. Three of them."

"The pilot from Otago came along. He had done his job. 'It was a piece of cake,' he said. 'He passed in to drink a cup of coffee. There was no fuss; no intensity.'

"The lights of three more appeared! They landed. An air-gunner from Napier jumped out of one of them. It was his first flight over enemy territory. He said, quite calmly, 'I expected to see more than I did.'

"Three more, and then three more. And then seven, leaving only one to come. A pilot came over to me and offered me a cigarette. He said, 'It was a wizard. Not a cloud! You could count the trees... the sort of night love was born! Somebody near by said, 'Oh Yeah!'. He also passed on for his coffee.'

"And then, just as we searched the sky, begging the night to yield up the last of the valiant company, the lights of the last bomber appeared.

"And while the petrol dumps and the marshalling yards of the Ruhr smouldered in the morning light, the Wing Commander from Southern Canterbury was able to write in his long book, 'All our aircraft returned safely!'

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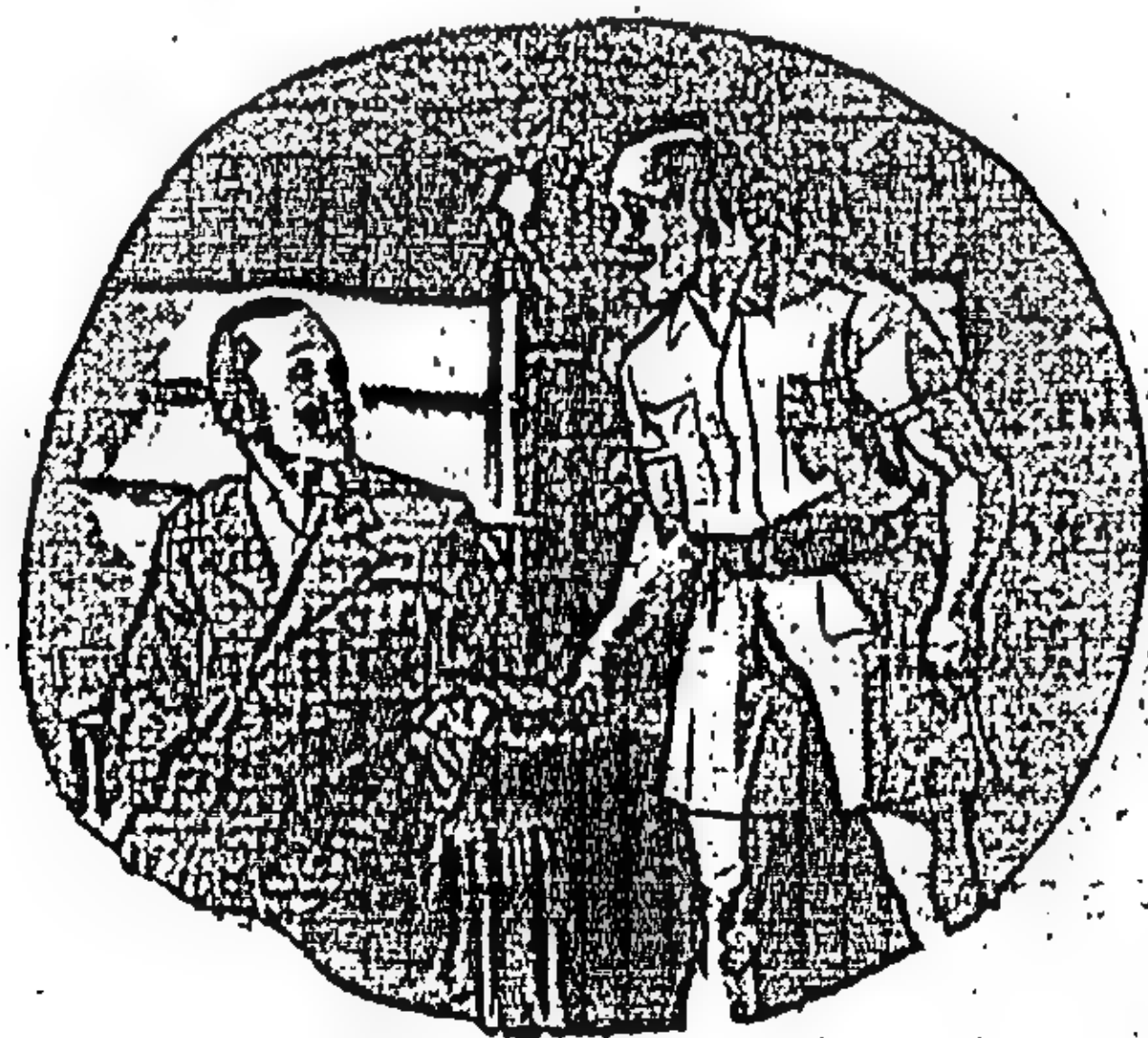
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"Well—I must confess I didn't expect to see you chopping trees this morning and smoking a

whacking big black cheroot. Not after last night..."

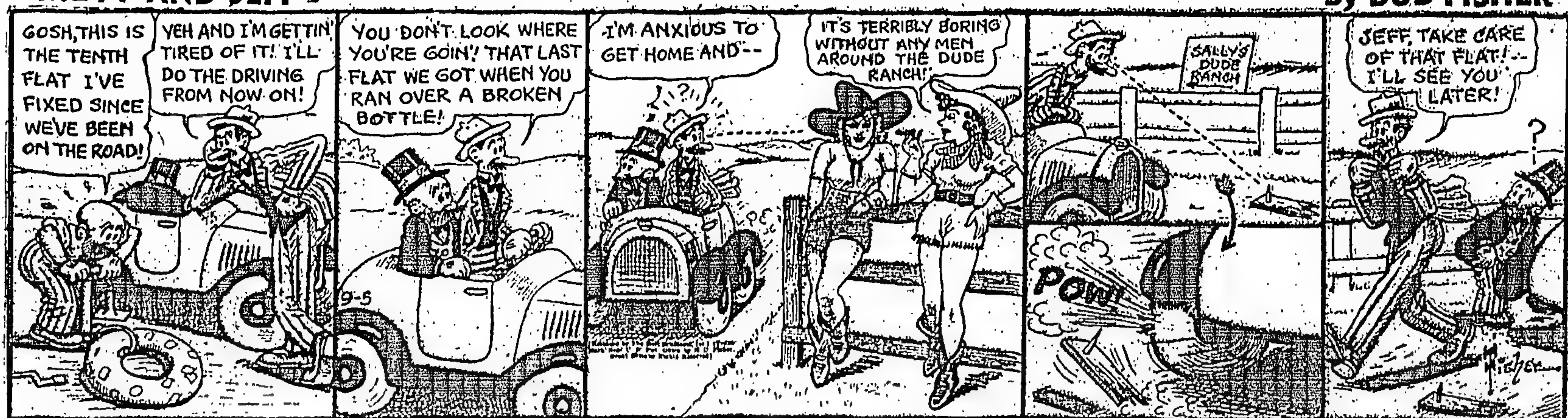
"I don't like the way you say 'not after last night.' I detect a certain envy in the tone—a certain undercurrent of bitterness. You ought to be overjoyed to see me absolutely bristling with jai-de-vivre."

"I merely marvel at your powers of recovery."

"You needn't, Bertie. It's all due to Rosa's Lique Juice, you know. Prevents mornings after the night before. Just the thing before you go to bed. And now, Bertie, with your permission I'll step out and deal our unsuspecting arboreal friend a couple of shrewd cracks with my little axe."

MUTT AND JEFF

By BUD FISHER



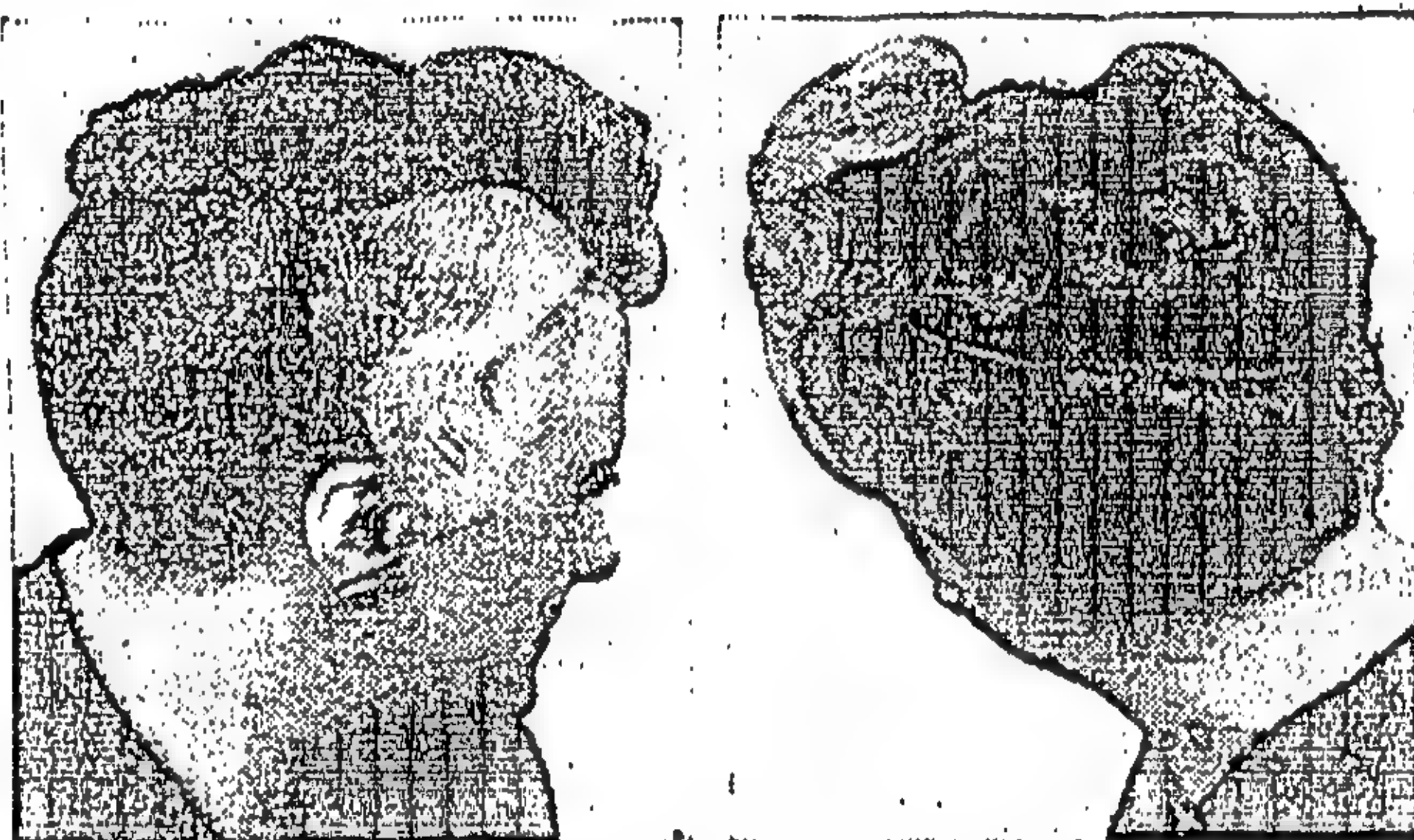
A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Pepper-and-Salt Hair May Be Smartly Dressed

"EVERY woman near forty should show her ear-tips," are the words of Helen Cookman, a prominent New York designer of chic clothes for the middle-aged woman. She believes that a youthful, dignified effect is thus acquired which helps to carry off nicely styled clothes.

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Care For It Intelligently

Graying hair is quite likely to be dry. Therefore hot oil shampoos are in order, and scalp massage with finger tips. Daily brushings with a good, clean brush, works marvels and if you will seek a good hairdresser and put your head in his or her hands for styling, you will have a head of

which you may well be proud.

What Not To Do

If you are past thirty don't think you can get away with a debutante bob, or having your hair curled coyly about your face. Your hair, to be smart and to be flattering, should be brushed away from your face on each side, and in back it should not be lower than an inch below your nature hairline, or it should be brushed up high. Coy bows or other juvenile decorations, are not for you, and if you do condone them you are only drawing attention to your gaining years.

There are so many sleek, beautiful, becoming hair-dos for young and old women in the age group from thirty-five to fifty-five that there is no reason for these women to cling to current, juvenile hair styles. On the other hand, these women should not be content with an old-maid style or a dowager's hair-do of an era past. If hair is kept in good condition and is expertly waved you have the choice of extremely smart combings, and if you do not like one, try another.

Ten Brushes For Beauty!

A Meticulous beauty of this era relies upon ten brushes to keep her beauty alluring.

A chic woman considers her lip brush the most indispensable beauty aid. She dips it into a lip rouge and outlines the desired lip shape, fills in the outline with matching lipstick, and then deftly blends all with her brush.

Shining tresses with a halo glow are compensation for the hundred strokes a day! Always brush up from the scalp to the very end of the hair, to send nourishing blood rushing to feed the roots. If your wrist tires easily, bend over so your hair falls over the crown and your strokes may be downward instead of upward.

The intricate art of eye make-up requires three small brushes. One for brow grooming after the brow pencil has been applied, a smaller one for lash colouring, and a third to be dipped into warm-caster oil at night to promote the growth of lashes and brows. No screen or stage beauty is without

these three. Complexion beauty depends greatly upon skin cleanliness and nothing can equal the aid of a soft-bristle complexion brush wielded with suds of bland soaps, twice weekly.

If you desire a beautiful back, free of minor blemishes you simply must use a long-handled back brush when you bathe. Here again suds of a bland soap briskly brushed over the back area will banish minor pore blemishes and keep the skin functioning as it should. It makes you feel good, too!

If you envy that smooth translucent complexion some women seem to possess, learn how to powder correctly. Powder should be placed on the skin with clean absorbent cotton, thickly, and then brushed off with a long, narrow powder brush until only a film of powder remains. If your foundation cream and powder match in shade, your skin will appear to have the most exquisite of textures.

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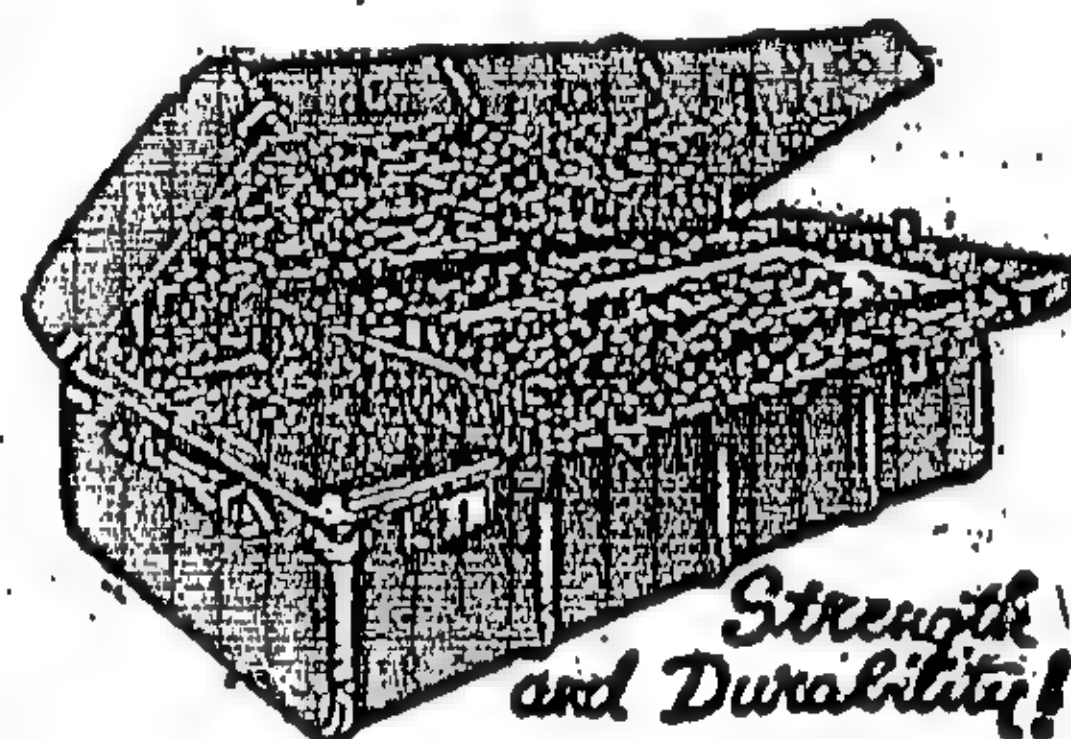
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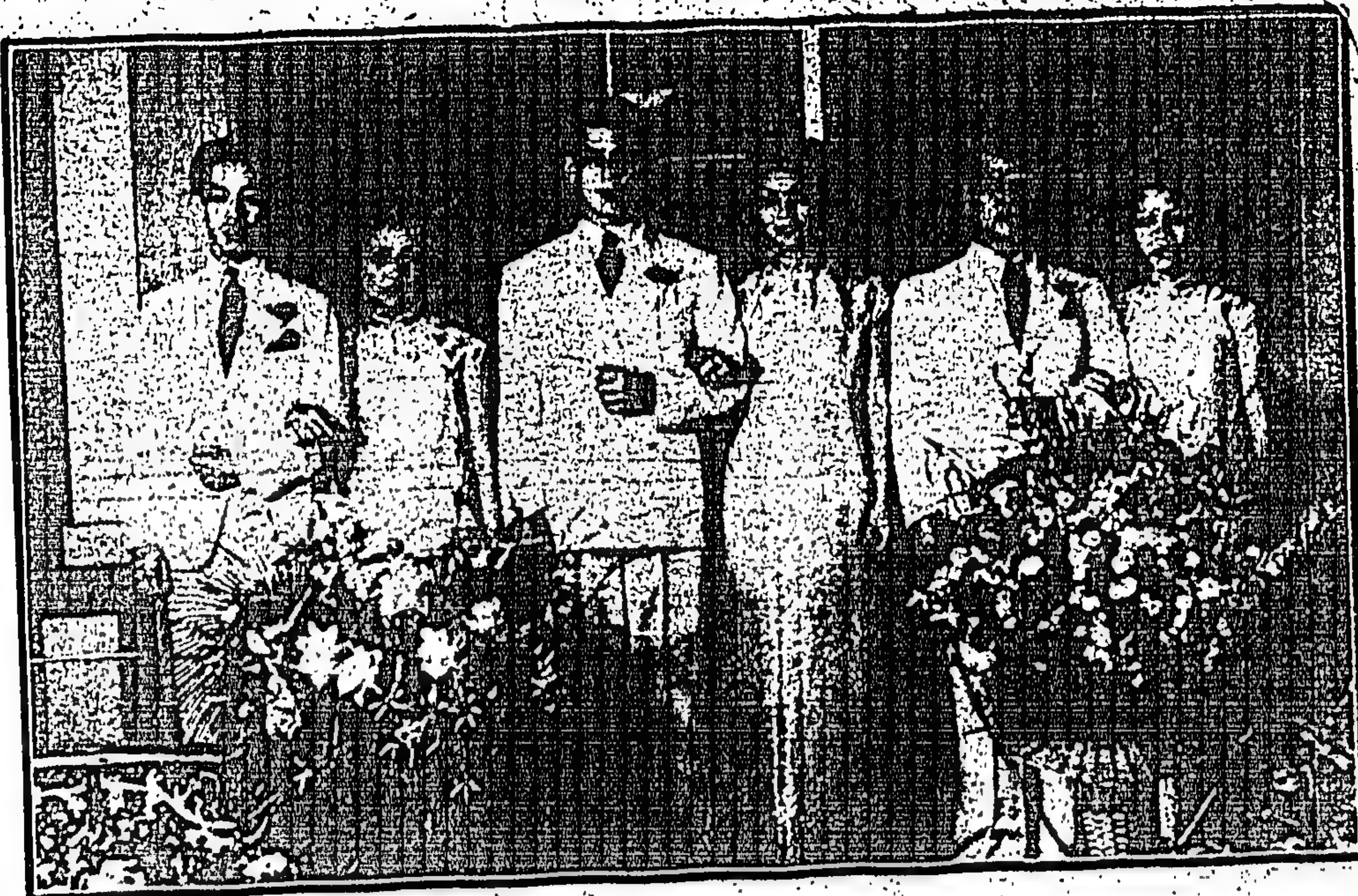


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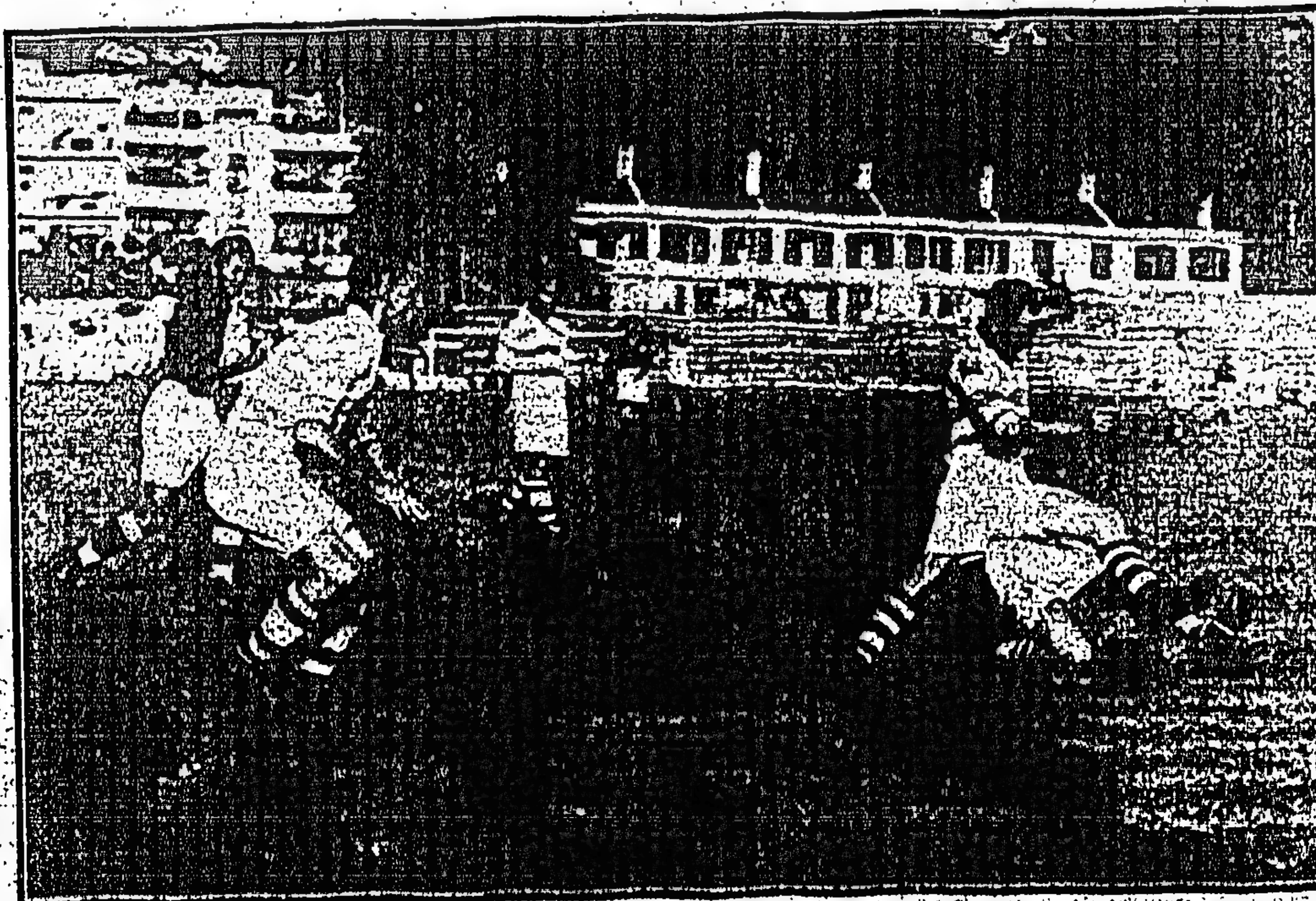
(Above)—A triple wedding was held at the Hotel Cecil last week when the bridegrooms were Messrs. Hung Yee-hon, Loo Yung-sze and Chen Yuan-san, and the brides the Misses Chan Wei-kien, Ho Lai-yat and Chan Lai-ping. (Kahn).

(Top left)—His Excellency the Acting Governor photographed with Professor Fors-ter and Mr. P. S. Cassidy outside the Cathedral at the Sea-farers' Service last Sunday.

(Left)—Spectators photo-graphed at the Kowloon Foot-ball Club during the semi-final of the Open Singles

Lawn Bowls Championship when Howard looked likely to win from Jones and upset the experts. (Kahn).

(Right)—The Waltz from "Les Sylphides" will be danced by Miss Ai-Ilen Tai at the China Defence League Benefit Recital for Chinese war orphans, to be held to-night in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel.



A thrilling tackle in the Charity Football match when Chinese beat the Rest by 3 goals to nil.



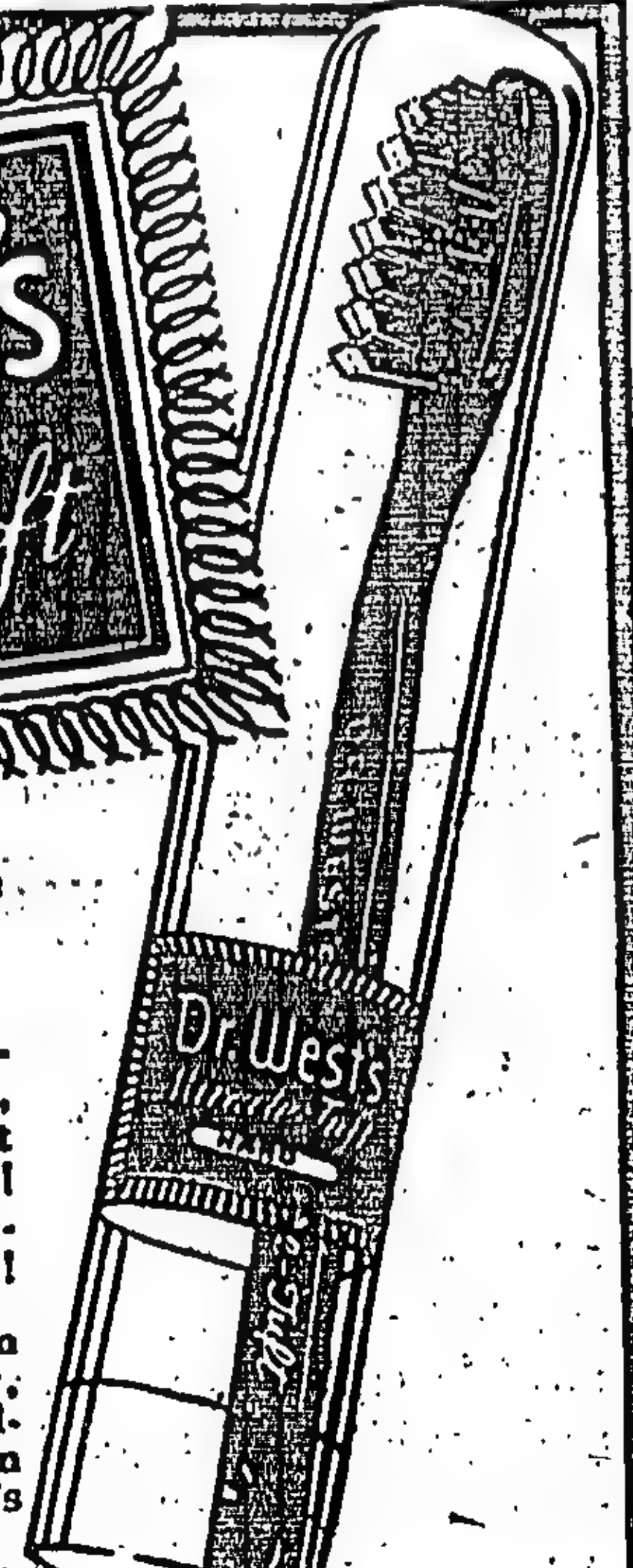
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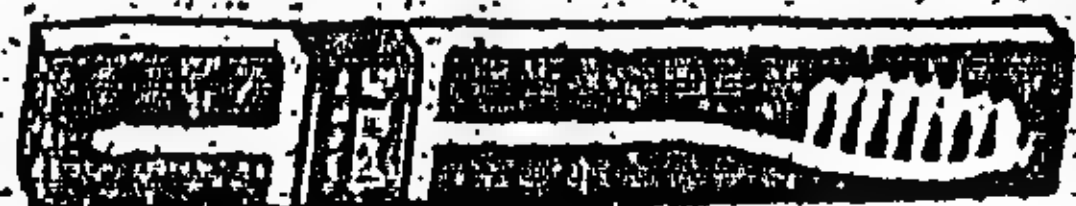
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And Sir Samuel Gluckstein, chairman of Westminster City Council Finance Committee, said at a meeting of the council that the advice to avoid spending had hit Westminster with the utmost severity.

"Westminster," he said, "is the central shopping centre of London, and the heart of the world of amusement and entertainment."

Derelict Area

"If his state of affairs continues Westminster will, at the end of the war, be a derelict area."

The council decided to increase the rate for the next half-year from 6s. to 6s. 8d. in the pound, making the total for the full year 2s. 2d. higher than in the past year.

Also the council decided to make representations to the Government that steps should be taken to give substantial relief to Westminster's ratepayers.

Sir Samuel Gluckstein said: "Before the war our loss from 'empties' — empty properties — was six per cent. It has already risen to seventeen per cent., and by next March we shall have got up to twenty per cent. or more. "This increasing number of empties is being brought about by depressed trade conditions. As the number of empties increases the product of a penny rate becomes less."

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"So the more you increase the empties the more you increase the burden on those who are left. It is the vicious spiral we all wanted to avoid. The situation is becoming very grave."

"Take a look round Bond Street and Regent Street and you will see for yourself the number of shops and properties that have had to close."

"Another factor is that increasing taxation has made it impossible for Mayfair people to keep their former standard of living and the big houses are becoming untenanted."

"That is a matter of general taxation which we have to face up to, but it does contribute to the general depression."

Note: The produce of a 1d. rate in Westminster has fallen from £37,500 to £35,670, and deficiencies in collection equal a rate of 3.7d.

STAR OVER HITLER

THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTION IS SENT ALL THE WAY FROM CALIFORNIA.

"Hitler is known to be a firm believer in astrology. Suppose British Intelligence were to discover by what system he is influenced when contemplating war-like action."

"Then ascertain the day and hour of his birth, submit those details and system to a reputable astrologer in England and ask him to designate what dates are regarded as specially favourable to Hitler's enterprises, according to that system. Then instruct the Services to be particularly alert on those dates."

"Whether or not the Services themselves believe in astrology is no matter: the point is that Hitler does. His activities are very apt to be guided by the heavenly portents."

The American correspondent apparently combines thought-reading with his interest in astrology. "This suggestion may not be so cranky and bizarre as at first it will appear to you," he adds.

JAPANESE PUBLIC SAYS WAR NEEDLESS

It is understood in Tokyo that the British Embassy regards the present situation as serious, although not necessarily hopeless, and the American Embassy is also somewhat pessimistic about the matter. The Japanese public considers a war with either America or Britain as absolutely needless, and that nothing will occur unless it is forced on Japan by the U.S.A. Japanese are asking Americans whether their country is determined to fight Japan, and to give reasons if such is the case. Moreover they are asking why the Washington State Department is recalling Americans from the Orient unless it is determined to fight.

The Japanese attitude towards Britons and Americans, however, remains unchanged, no incidents having occurred in which foreigners have been molested. There are many attacks on American and

HE SAVED THE SERUMS

An obscure French Army doctor is disclosed to be the unknown hero who saved four-fifths of the Pasteur serums at the height of the battle for France.

The serums, says a Vichy report, were stored in a chateau in the battle zone. Roads to the chateau had been badly smashed by air raids, and were heavily mined. Fighting raged on all sides.

The doctor commandeered an army lorry and made three perilous trips, successfully getting the serums back to Tours.

British policy, however, and the reason is given that it is necessary to arouse public opinion to defend the nation's rights and even her existence against the Anglo-American threat.

Much more surprise has been aroused by the recalling of Americans from the Orient, which is seen as a hostile gesture, than at the re-opening of the Burma Road. The re-opening is regarded as part of Anglo-American plans to encircle Japan, and she will undoubtedly take whatever measures she thinks appropriate, probably via Indo-China.

COOK, FISHERMAN SAVED 400 LIVES

FOUR HUNDRED SOLDIERS of the B.E.F. owe their lives to Fred Barter, fisherman, and Frank Lunn, cook, both men of Hampshire. It was announced that Barter, who comes from Emsworth, and Lunn, whose home is in Fareham, had been awarded the D.S.M.

Here is their story, told by Fred Barter:

"When war broke out I volunteered and was posted aboard a private yacht."

"Then came Dunkirk. Frank Lunn, our cook, and I were put in charge of a rowing boat and sent ashore to pick up soldiers."

Swan Mile

"Usually the boat holds only six, but we got in 20, and towed rafts carrying another 20."

"We were sunk by enemy action and had to swim for it. Most of the B.E.F. men returned to the shore, but Frank and I swam over a mile back to the yacht, took another boat, and carried on with the good work."

"Eventually we got 400 soldiers safely on to the yacht."

"Our captain, Mr. H. Sparkes, was not satisfied with that, so he kept going from place to place on the French coast to see if there were any more English soldiers left."

"Full Of Germans"

"We called at Fecamp and I went into a place there and asked if there were any Englishmen. I was met with a stony silence."

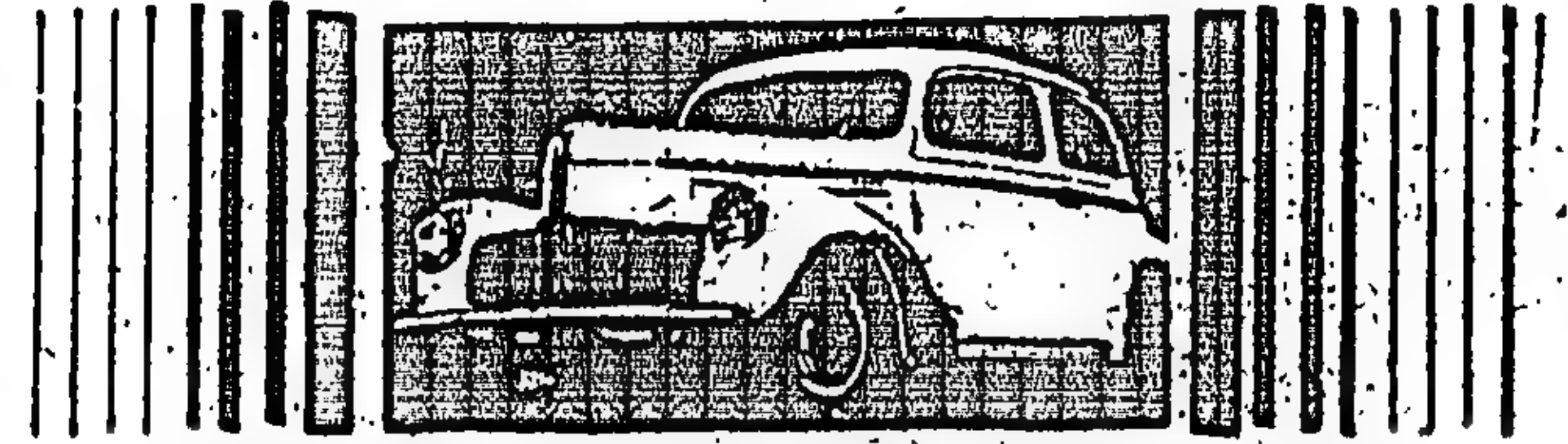
"We went on the shore and within a few hours the place was bombed by German planes. We realised then that the place we had gone into was full of Germans."

"We went back to the yacht and told Mr. Sparkes. He made for England, to ensure the safety of those whom we had already rescued."

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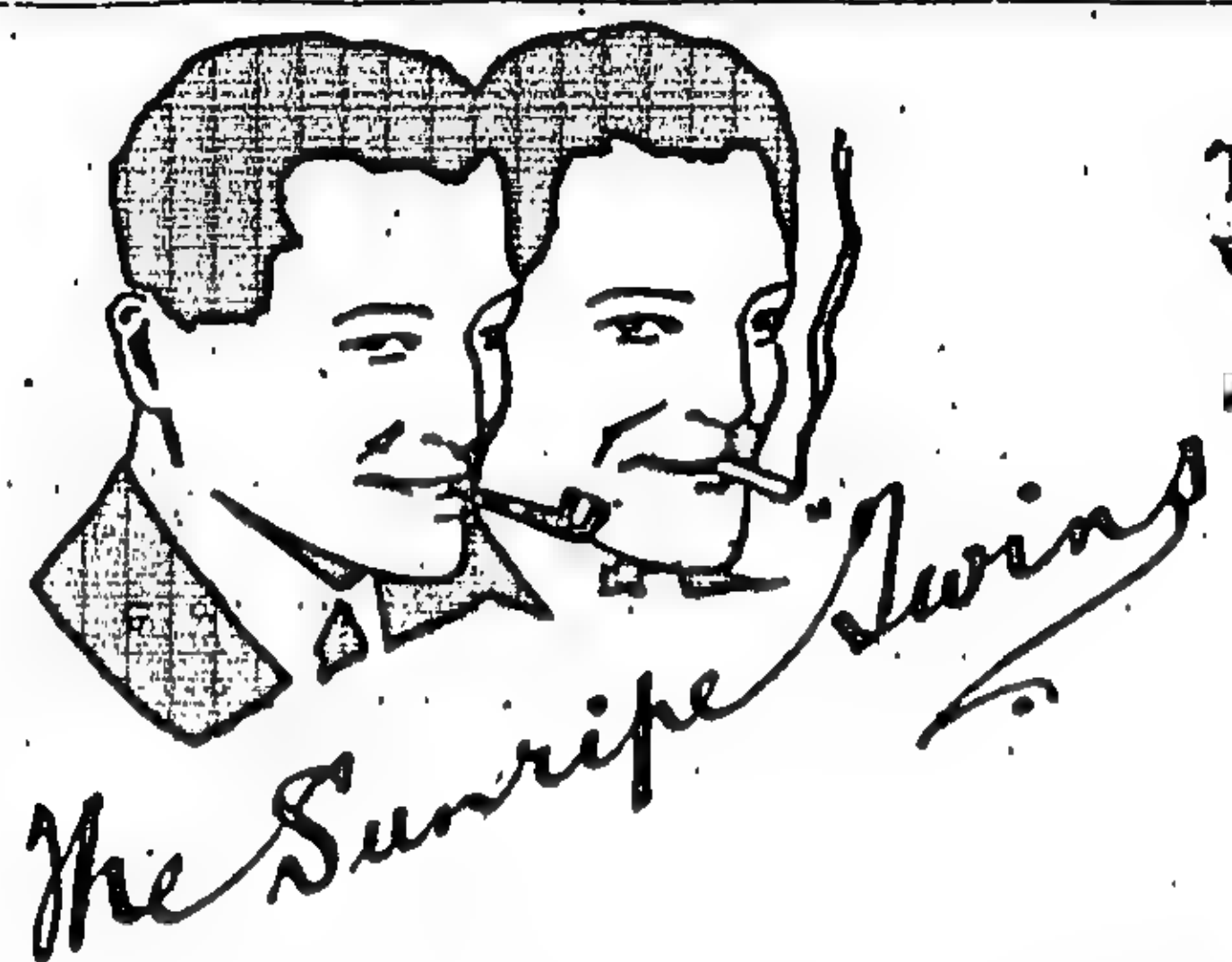
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WAR TAXATION

The Public is notified that the offices of the War Taxation Department will be closed for business from Saturday, October 19th to Monday, October 21st both days inclusive.

Business with the Public will be resumed on Tuesday, October 22nd at

WINDSOR HOUSE

(4th floor)

No. 12, Des Voeux Road, Central. Tax falling due on October 19th and 21st will not be regarded as overdue if paid on October 22nd.

A. G. CLARKE,

Commissioner of War Taxation.
16th October, 1940.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE NINTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 19th October, 1940, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

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You no longer are of the younger generation if the bustle of getting ready for a vacation takes all the joy out of life.

BRIDGE NOTES

(By The Four Aces)

TOO MANY TRUMPS

West doubled South because he felt sure that his trump length would prevent South from getting very far. As it turned out, however, West's very length in trumps paved the way to his undoing.

North, Dealer
North-South vulnerable

♠ 8 4	♥ K 4	♦ K J 9 5 3	♣ K J 8 4
♠ Q J 9 5	♥ Q J 9 7 5	♦ 8 7	♣ 7 5
♠ 7 5	♥ 7 5	♦ A Q 10 6	♣ 4 2
♠ A K 10 6 2	♥ A 10 8 6 3 2	♦ A 10	♣

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
Pass	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♦	Pass	2♠	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♠	Pass
3♥	Pass	Pass	Dbl.
Pass	Pass	Redbl.	Pass

West opened the eight of diamonds, and South ruffed with a low trump. A low trump to dummy's King's disclosed the bad trump break, and South decided to risk another diamond ruff, hoping that West would not over-ruff. The ruff got by, and South

next cashed the top spades and ruffed a low spade in the dummy.

Declarer was neither surprised nor discomfited to see that West had spade length as well as trump length. He simply cashed the King and Ace of clubs; then he led a spade, giving the lead to West. With only trumps left, West was obliged to lead that suit to South, allowing Declarer to make two more tricks to fulfill his contract.

The bidding should have warned West that South had eleven cards in the major suits and that there were not likely to be defensive tricks in the minors. Far from being inclined to double on the basis of his length in the majors, West should have foreseen that he would eventually be forced to lead trumps to South. His foolish penalty double was justly punished by South's redouble.

* * *

Last Monday, October 14, you were David Bruce Burnstone's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:



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♥ 9 6
♦ 8 4
♣ K 9 7 6 5 3

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Burnstone	Jacoby	You	Schenken
1♠	2♣	(?)	

ANSWER: Pass. You can probably defeat two clubs, but a rescue in one of the red suits is inevitable. A double, therefore, is pointless and may encourage your partner to double a diamond or heart contract.

Score 100% for pass, 40% for two spades, 20% for double.

QUESTION NO. 541

To-day you are Oswald Jacoby's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you hold:

♠ 7 5 3 2
♥ 8 6 4
♦ 9 7 3
♣ 6 5 2

The bidding:

Schenken	Jacoby	Maier	You
1♥	Dbl.	Pass	(?)

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

SOLDIERS' PAY FOR OBJECTORS

Conscientious objectors in Bath Council's employ are to have their service terminated and to be re-engaged at the same rate of pay as a serving soldier, plus £1 a week billeting allowance. Slough Borough Council are to give leave of absence without pay to any member of the staff registering as an objector.

OFF THE RECORD

By ED REED.



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DR. CULLIS TO ADDRESS NURSES

A special meeting has been arranged at the Cathedral Hall at 5.40 p.m., on Monday, in order that the V.A.D., A.N.S. and staff nurses of various hospitals in Hong Kong can have an opportunity of meeting Professor Winifred Cullis, C.B.E., who is particularly interested in the work of nurses.

Professor Cullis will give an address on food values, which should be helpful, especially at this time when a possible blockade would make a right combination of the foods available in the Colony of great importance.

It has been regretfully recognised that a number of those who would like to attend cannot do so on account of duties elsewhere and because of examinations which are being held at that hour, but it appears the same difficulty would be present at any other time. It is, therefore, hoped that all those who are not actually on duty on Monday, will make a special effort to attend the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

DEAR SIR, — Believing that it would be of interest to the "shooting" community of this Colony I beg to encroach upon your valuable columns with the extract from a letter I received from Australia.

"Mrs. Harding is the lady I taught to shoot and now she is one of the best shots in Victoria. She won 3 championships last year. If you (the writer) come in contact with any Rifle Clubs, you will tell them we would like to have a match with them at any time."

Mrs. Harding is a member of the Victorian Miniature Rifle Clubs

SAPPING FRENCH MORALE HAD GONE ON FOR YEARS

(By WILLIAM HENRY CHAMBERLIN)

IT WAS NOT ONLY with tanks and aeroplanes that Germany crushed France last May and June. A systematic, methodical, ingenious campaign for sapping and undermining French national morale had been under way for years before the outbreak of hostilities.

It is not yet possible to write the full history of this German propaganda offensive. Revelations of the activities of Herr Hitler's "fifth column" in France have been scanty and fragmentary. And the men who are now in control of the French Government at Vichy are not likely to open this question, if only because some of them were unconsciously playing the German game.

But in main outline the German methods and the German objectives were fairly clear to one who, like the writer, lived in France during the pre-war and war period. The objective was to keep French public opinion divided, to cause a state of public opinion which would be adverse to any opposition to German expansionist plans in Eastern Europe, to see to it that if France, contrary to Germany's hopes, should begin hostilities, it would enter the war so half-heartedly as to be an easy victim of the first hard blow.

of Victoria and apparently they are very eager to have a match with the Rifle shots of this Colony such as exchange of targets, etc., and if any local clubs are interested in the proposition, kindly communicate with the undersigned or to: Mr. Taylor, Secretary of The Victorian Miniature Rifle Club, 732 Station Street, Box Hill, Ell, Victoria, Australia.

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The methods were varied. Money was spent freely where it was expected to do the most good, in corrupting authors, journalists, molders of public opinion. The corruption did not always, perhaps did not usually assume the form of crude bribery.

But in the years before the war the German Propaganda Ministry ran up a sizable bill in financing trips of French groups and individuals to Germany, in promoting German translations of the works of French authors who were little known in their own country, in filtering into French high society polished and cultivated agents who knew the psychology and prejudices of the French aristocracy and wealthy classes and exploited these prejudices for Germany's ends.

These agents played down the social leveling, revolutionary, anti-religious tendencies of the Nazi movement. The represented Herr Hitler as a force for law and order, a man who had suppressed bolshevism in Germany and only wanted an opportunity to fight bolshevism in Russia.

This propaganda fell on especially sympathetic ears during the period of the Popular Front when the French bourgeoisie lived in a genuine, if highly exaggerated apprehension of social revolution at home, stimulated by the social and civil war that was proceeding in Spain, at France's very doors.

Abetz And His Methods

Apparently, the most important, most successful of these German agents was one Otto Abetz, a personal friend of Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop. Herr Abetz travelled constantly between Paris and Berlin and figured prominently in the celebration of the Franco-German non-aggression agreement of December, 1938, when the Munich policy may be considered to have reached its height.

He succeeded in establishing a Franco-German society, ostensibly for purposes of cultural contact.

This organisation, however, languished and disappeared from public view after the beginning of the strained era in Franco-German relations which set in after Herr Hitler's occupation of Prague in March, 1939. Early in July Herr Abetz re-

ceived not a formal expulsion order, but a request to leave France; and the requests of the German Embassy to have the case reconsidered were refused. Now, however, he has returned to conquered France as German Ambassador — an insult which the Vichy Government is powerless to resent.

It is not improbable that the elimination of Herr Abetz was connected with the arrest of two French journalists, Loys Aubin and J. Porrier, who were connected with the prominent newspapers "Le Temps" and "Figaro." The newspapers maintained that these men were not in positions where they could direct editorial policy; but both were apparently under strong suspicion of operating a German slush fund for disposition among needy and unscrupulous writers and journalists.

Matter Was Hushed Up

One of the journalists passed on after his arrest. The whole case, which showed signs of developing into a first rate scandal, was hushed up.

Although Herr Abetz and some of his associates, among whom were two attractive and gifted women, Baroness Von Eluem and Princess Hohenlohe, had left France before the beginning of the war, their work left permanent effects. The upper classes of French society were riddled with pessimism and defeatism. When open pro-German propaganda became suspect certain suspicious press organs, such as the periodical "Je Suis Partout" went in for anti-Semitism and anti-British propaganda.

The German "fifth column" in France, hitherto mainly represented in the upper crust of society, received a valuable accession in the French Communists after the conclusion of the Stalin-Hitler Pact of Aug. 23.

How Communists Helped

The Communist Party was outlawed soon after the beginning of the war; but up to the very end of hostilities they were publishing illegal pamphlets, putting out their newspaper "L'Humanité" on secret presses, carrying on whispering campaigns among the workers and the poorer classes generally. The Communists may have believed that they were acting in the interests of social revolution.

The German propaganda campaign in France was based on thorough, accurate and exhaustive knowledge of the moods and tendencies in French public opinion, from the extreme Right to the extreme Left. A memorandum prepared by a German diplomat named Brautigan, which fell into the hands of the French Government shortly before the beginning of the war, revealed extremely detailed knowledge of all the groups which, for the greatest variety of reasons, could be counted on to work against a united war effort.

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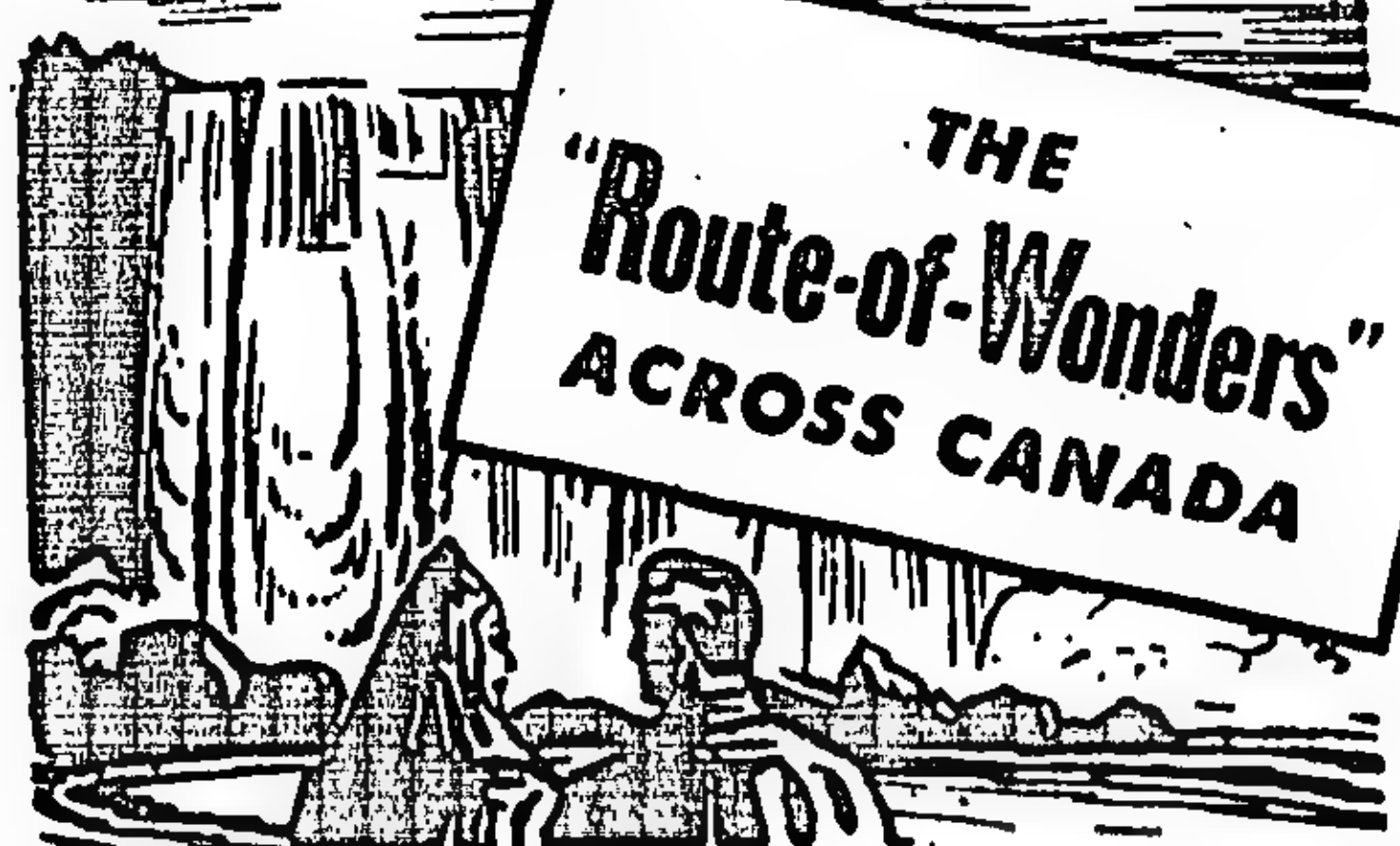
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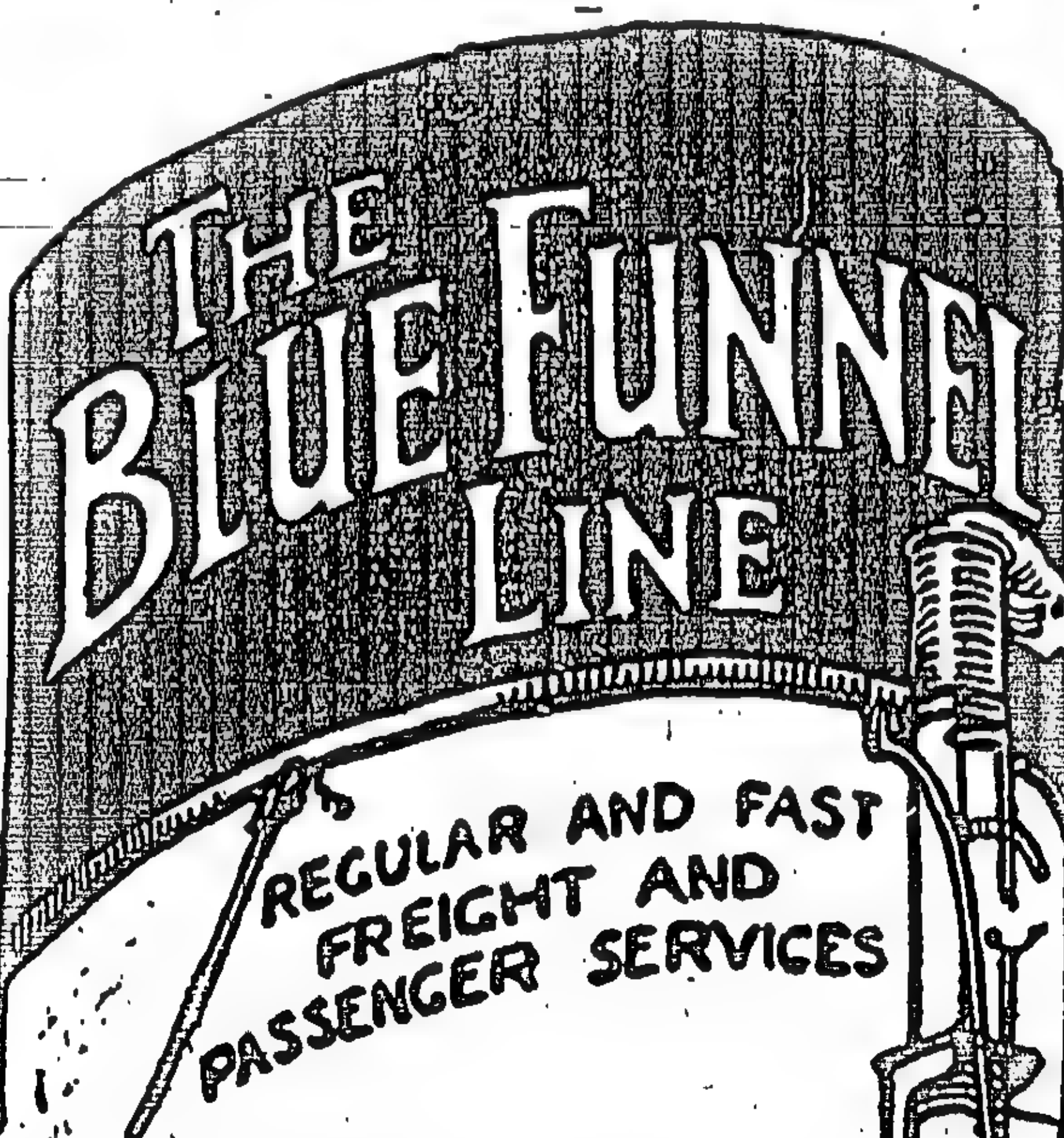
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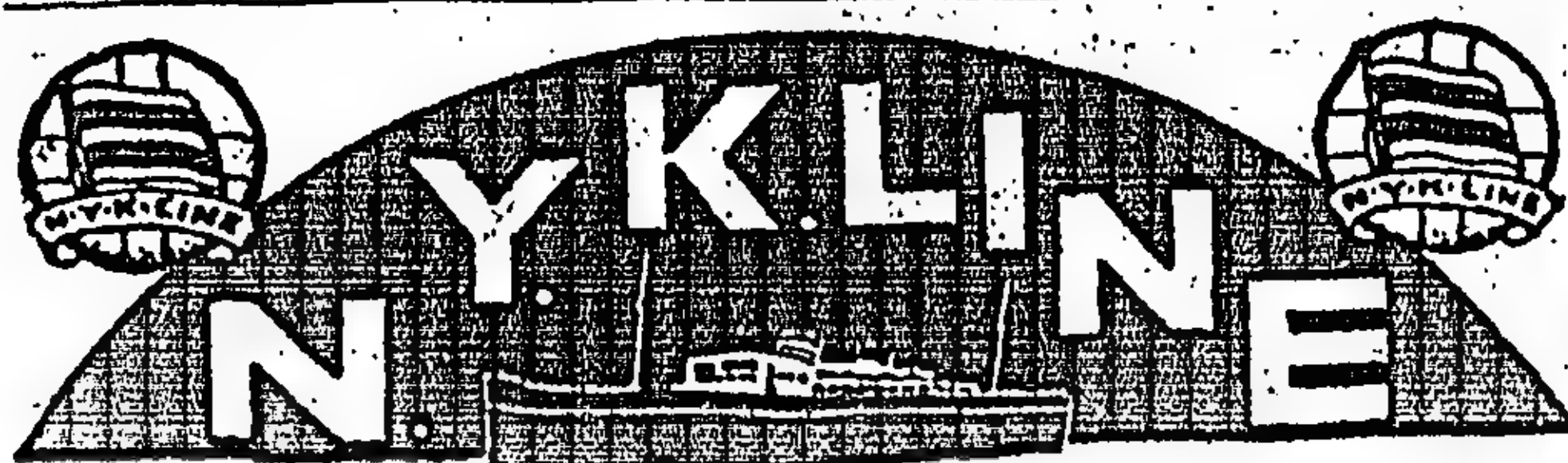
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1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Harry Roy's Riger-Rag-muffins.
1.15 p.m.—Hawaiian Waltzes.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.45 p.m.—Duke Ellington and His Orchestra in Dance Music.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6.00 p.m.—Dania and Charles Trenet in a Light French Programme.
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LAWN BOWLS NOTES

End Of Season Atmosphere Marks Closing Bowls Games

Champions Have One Or Two Anxious Moments

Omar's Late Spate Of Scoring Against Eccleshall

By "Skip"

THERE WAS A DISTINCT END OF THE SEASON ATMOSPHERE ABOUT THE THREE LEAGUE BOWLS MATCHES WHICH WERE PLAYED ON SATURDAY, NOT ONLY AS REGARDS THE PLAY, WHICH SEEMED TO ME TO BE MORE JOVIAL THAN USUAL, BUT ALSO AS FAR AS THE COMPOSITION OF THE TEAMS WAS CONCERNED.

Craigengower, for instance, had three comparative strangers in their team against the Civil Servants, whose turn-out was but a shadow of its former self.

The ultimate result was a foregone conclusion but I was surprised at the huge margin in favour of the Craigengower team, which led by over 40 shots when rain drove the players to shelter at about the 17th end, when the visitors wisely decided to forfeit the points. They had about as much chance of winning the game as you or I have of drawing even a starter in the big sweep to-morrow!

Points Conceded

In Second Division, Civil Servants, owing to the call on their first team, were unable to play Kowloon Football Club and they conceded the points to Kowloon Football Club, thereby ensuring the latter being runners-up, a position which they secure by reason of having a better shots-up average than Taikee, who had the same number of points.

The scores in the Craigengower and Civil Service match were even for the first four ends but a seven to Dick Basa at the next head commenced a general blitzkrieg.

It was not a very brilliant head, the woods being fairly scattered and Dick Basa, in trying to add three bottles of John Haig, trailed the kitty slightly, bringing a back wood into the count but deleting one which was a little short.

Basa had been drawing well throughout whilst Coates was also good. Penney found Jimmy Gelatly off form so it sounds hardly just to say that he beat him easily; actually the home lead was excellent.

Jones was again the outstanding player on the visiting side which secured a very good six shortly after the above big count, to take the lead momentarily but they eventually finished eight to be bad.

Eccleshall was only four down to Omar after eleven heads but the home four then went mad and added no less than 22 shots without reply in the next seven ends!

Patchy Seven

A patchy seven was included in this dramatic scoring, three or four woods being in close proximity to the Jack, others rather scattered. The target tempted the visiting three and skip to drive, the homesters meanwhile piling them up.

Joe Landolt, making his debut as a skip, had a more even tussle with Jack Hollidge but a brace of threes towards the finish gave him a seven-shot win.

The Champions had a few anxious moments before eventually overcoming Kowloon Dock by 20, gaining 15 of these in the last four ends to bring home the bacon.

They scored two fives in these last four heads, Raoul Luz scoring one of these at the last head to tie Bob Morrison who had held the vein all the way.

It was a good five on the whole, though the home side should have saved. F. X. Soares, who had a good struggle with Alec Calman as lead, lay one shot, Alves added a couple and Jackie Noronha blocked one hand first, then drew another to which Luz added.

Bob Morrison, like Houston, played an excellent game throughout, so it seems hard, though just to say that he failed badly to save, both his heavyish woods being narrow.

I seem to have put the cart before the horse in describing this last head, as the very first end on this rink was what might almost be called an exhibition head.

The Head

I must give it in detail. Calman drew one two feet from the Jack, Soares coming in off it for a touch, but not a sitter. Calman trailed for the shot, Soares promoted his own to rob him again. McMaster trailed once more, Dick Alves knocked Soares in for shot and lay two, but Houston promoted McMaster's wood with his first then drew another. Luz was narrow, Morrison made it three and with Luz repeating his previous error, Morrison—well, what would you do!

The standard of bowls was high all through on this rink, as it was in the game between Spuggy and McKelvie, the latter showing vastly improved form compared with his game against Joe Fraser who, I am told, outbowed him the previous Saturday.

Charlie Silva proved to be the sheet anchor of his side and was always prominent, his opponent R. Lapsley junior, being rather off his usual game. But "old" Bob put in some nice shots though he was not consistent.

Carlos Silva always had an edge on Johnny Kempton's four but it needed a strong finish to win by 16 shots.

Although not playing quite up to his reputation early on, he had a great drive at the eighth head, carrying the Jack into the dyke for a couple when the enemy lay that number.

"CHINA MAIL" CUP

WEEK-END MATCHES

Following is the list of week-end matches of the preliminary round of the bowls competition for the "China Mail" Challenge Cup:

At Recreio:—No. 2 Coy. "D" v 1st Battery "B" at 4 p.m. (Winner to play No. 5 "B" in next round).

At Kowloon C.C.:—No. 2 Coy. "A" v 1st Battery "A" at 4 p.m. (Winner to play No. 3 "B" in next round).

At Kowloon F.C.:—A. S. C. Coy "A" v No. 2 Coy. "C" at 10 a.m. (Winner to play A.S.C. "B" in next round).

FIRST ROUND

At Kowloon Bowling Green:—No. 2 Coy. "B" v Stanley "A" at 10 a.m.

SECOND ROUND

At Recreio:—Field Engineers "C" v Field Ambulance "A" at 10 a.m.

At Kowloon Bowling Green:—Field Engineers "A" v Stanley "B" at 10 a.m.

At Kowloon C.C.:—Field Ambulance "B" v 2nd Battery at 10 a.m.

RAKUSEN AND OMAR IN SEMI-FINALS

At Club de Recreio yesterday, U. M. Omar (holder) and M. N. Rakusen entered the Semi-Finals of the Open Singles Lawn Bowls competition: when they beat A. Hyde-Lay and T. Madar respectively.

Hyde-Lay led Omar at the 13th head by 12 shots to 5 but did not score after, that while Omar registered two threes and three twos to win at the 21st head by 21-12.

Head	U. M. Omar	A. Hyde-Lay
1	0	0
2	0	1
3	0	1
4	1	0
5	0	1
6	0	1
7	1	2
8	2	4
9	0	4
10	1	5
11	0	5
12	0	5
13	0	5
14	2	7
15	3	10
16	2	12
17	1	13
18	1	14
19	2	16
20	1	17
21	1	18
22	3	21

MADAR ALWAYS TRAILING

T. A. Madar was always trailing behind M. N. Rakusen and at the 15th head was being led by 13-6. A possible at the next head brought him within striking distance but he was only able to score three singles on the remaining heads. Rakusen won at the 24th head by 22-13.

Head	M. N. Rakusen	T. Madar
1	0	0
2	0	0
3	0	2
4	0	2
5	1	3
6	1	4
7	2	6
8	0	6
9	2	8
10	1	9
11	0	9
12	0	9
13	2	11
14	1	12
15	1	13
16	0	13
17	0	13
18	1	14
19	0	14
20	2	16
21	0	16
22	1	17
23	3	20
24	2	22

VOLUNTEER RINKS PLAY TRUE TO FORM

By "Skip"

THE FIRST matches in the "China Mail" Challenge Cup, were played on Sunday morning and were accompanied by plenty of enthusiasm, a vast amount of jocularity—and a few noggins!

All games were timed to commence at 10 a.m. and players were on the whole quite punctual, especially considering that the Aquatic Sports had been held the previous evening!

As only one of my forecasts went wrong, it can be said that the teams played to form although the magnitude of the wins was in some cases astounding. No. 5 Company's second string skipped by Capt. Botelho, for instance, simply trouncing "Busty" Bower's "B" rink from No. 1 Company. Only a couple to the bad when I left the battle-field at the 12th head, the losers collapsed completely subsequently and were able to chalk up only two more shots to their opponents' 23. This margin of 23 was also enjoyed by Field Company Engineers, who opposed Mobile Column "A" skipped by Lt. K. C. Hamilton of Kowloon Bowling Green Club third team. But three Second League players, in Castro, Howard and Bill Simpson proved too much for them.

Strong Combination

Second Battery also scored 23 on the adjoining rink at Kowloon Dock but Lt. "Billy" Alves' four were able to collect a dozen shots against them.

The winners are a very strong combination and will go far, I think.

Fortress Signals were without Charlie Needham, who was sick, and his place was taken at the last minute by Capt. W. C. Clark. As the latter had not, I believe, previously played in Hong Kong, the team did exceptionally well to score on 10 of the heads, although admittedly they totalled only 11 shots against a Field Engineer Coy. team from Kowloon Docks.

I should say that one of the best heads of the day was when No. 1 Company "C" team scored a perfect five against Pay Section.

Down by 20/3 at that stage, two shots were against them when L/C. King trailed beautifully and was immediately promoted to Captain by the spectators on the bank. He then lay two shots and on adding another one, a perfect draw, he attained Field rank, whilst Pte. Anderson piled in a couple more for which he received a stripe each!

But I am afraid you will have to look at this week's orders to see if the promotions have been confirmed!

The Pay Section of course, ran out winners, Tribble being excellent as lead and the second man putting in some "dandy" shots (joke).

Biggest Upset

Tommy Madar, skipping No. 3 Coy.'s "B" team, secured that Company's only win, in opposition to their "C" outfit, as Teddy Fincher, skipping their premier four, unexpectedly lost to the Field Ambulance's best rink. This formed the biggest upset of the day to my mind.

Mobile Column had a lead on A.S.C. Coy. "B" for a few ends but once Charlie Rosset's men had got in front there was no holding them and they won by over a dozen. Capt. Flippance was in good form as lead, whilst Lt. Stoker played some good shots in the early stages but did not keep up the good work.

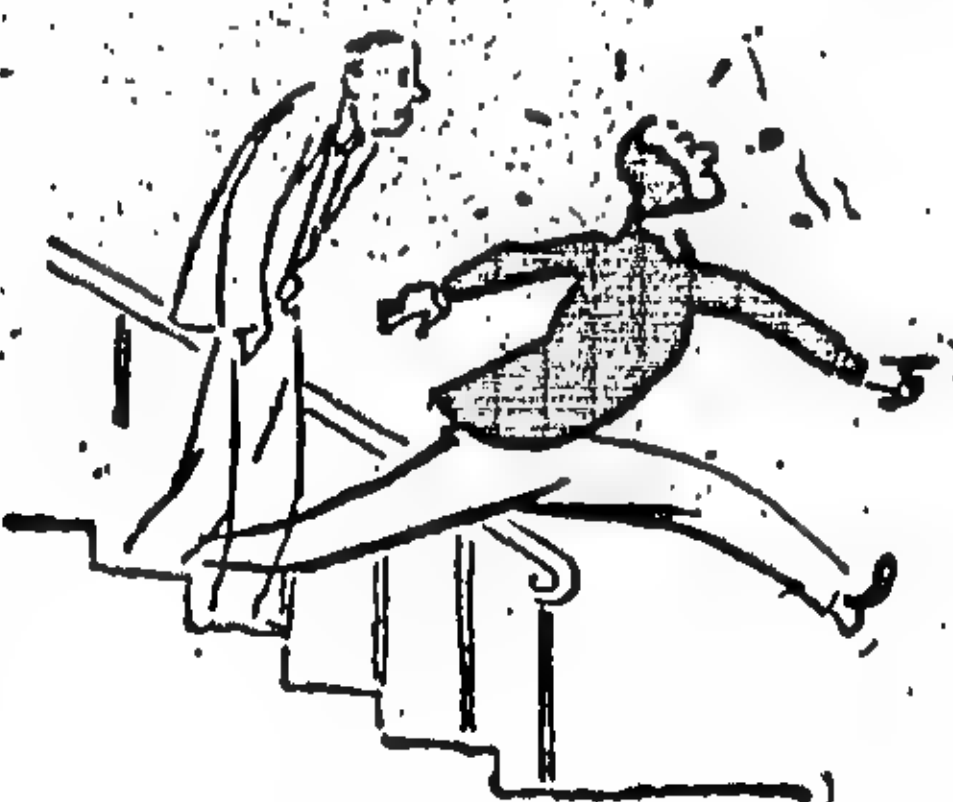


No. 6 Company's "B" team had the audacity to begin their scoring against their "A" rink with a nap hand and Chico Ribeiro's men did not recover until the seventh head from which stage they handed it out to their juniors.

Fourth Battery proved no match for Field Ambulance "B", whilst I could not help thinking, from what little I saw of the game, that Carlos Silva's "A" team from No. 5, were playing with that same Company's "D" team, in much the same way as a cat plays with a mouse! Otherwise the scores would not have been nearly so close.

It is noteworthy that all the Field Company Engineers' teams won their games, although the "A" rink skipped by Spary had a very close struggle with the premier four from No. 1 Company, whose representatives all lost, I may add.

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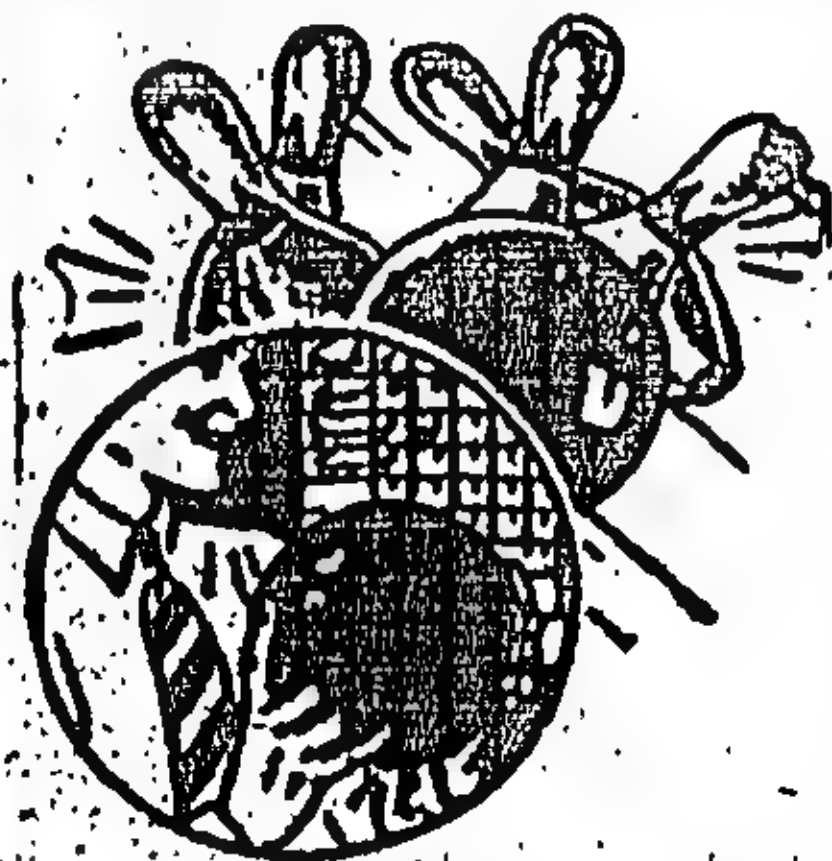
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Viceroy And Brown Derby The Likely Key To Daily Double

By "Rapier"

Given fine weather again, there is every reason to anticipate a large gathering at the Ninth Extra Race Meeting, which will be held to-morrow at Happy Valley. There are eight events on the programme, main attractions being the Hong Kong Griffins Cup and the Kwangtung Handicap for "C" Class China ponies from the two-mile post once round and in. A Special Dollar Cash Sweep has reached about \$350,000 and the first prize will be around \$148,960.00.

Mr. V. V. Needa has returned North and will not be back in time for the meeting to-morrow.

RACE NO. 1.—HONG KONG GRIFFINS CUP: 1 1/4 MILES

The day's programme opens with the principal event of the day, the Hong Kong Griffins Cup over the Champions distance. It is a handicap event for China ponies, griffins of this season that have started in at least three Extra Meetings.

After its second placing behind Eye of Harvest in the October Handicap at the last meeting, O-Lan (Mr. Sung) seems to be the logical bet, but it must be remembered, however, that it will be carrying 12 lb. more than its last outing. Distinctive Time (Mr. Wei), which won the Double Tenth Plate last Thursday, has been given another 16 lb. to handle, and in view of the distance, I think the best it can do is to be placed. Gay Star, which won the Austin Handicap (first section) carrying 166 lb., has been promoted to "A" Class. It will be carrying 151 lb. to-morrow, and in view of the good time which it previously returned this pony is the real danger, and will probably command strong support if again ridden by Mr. Tao. Then there are Grether and Johnher, both with recommendations based on past results. I am inclined, however, to nominate O-Lan to win, with Gay Star second and Distinctive Time third.

RACE NO. 2.—NULLAH HANDICAP

(FIRST SECTION): ONE MILE

This race is confined to first section "B" Class Australian ponies. For its win in the Cantala Handicap over 1 1/4 miles, Springhurst (Mr. Poy) has been penalised 6 lb., but as the distance is shorter, I think the extra weight will not hamper its chances of winning again. Contact (Mr. Davis), which ran unplaced in the Australian Ponies Autumn Plate (1 1/4 miles), did not compete at the last meeting and I believe that this pony will give Springhurst a good fight for first position, if it does not, actually win. Elyng Dutchman (Mr. P. P. Botelho), was an also-ran when Springhurst won, but as the distance is only a mile I think it should do better. Fair Chance (Mr. Proulx), was most unreliable at the last two meetings so that I am afraid to recommend it for a win. Franklin (Mr. Chao) may find the distance to its liking and, given a runaway lead, it should be near at the finish. Criffel will have a change of jockey in Mr. Craven, and, judging from their workout in morning exercise, I believe it will have something to say at the finish. However, taking everything into consideration, I nominate Springhurst to win, with Contact second and Criffel third.

RACE NO. 3.—WERRIBEE HANDICAP: ABOUT ONE MILE 151 YARDS

Novice jockeys are here given an opportunity of riding Australian ponies for the first time, and it will be interesting to see how well they can handle such fast mounts. Catterick Bridge has been given top-weight of 165 lb., for coming in second to Warrego River in the Williamstown Handicap over the mile at the last meeting, but as this pony is not dependable I am afraid I cannot recommend it for a win, although it is the best amongst this bunch of ponies. Under Mr. Cooper, Quick Despatch

stands the best chance of winning as this pony came in third in the Canberra Plate over the mile a week ago last Thursday. Tarzan was fourth in the Williamstown Handicap (one mile), and as it will be taken out by its owner-jockey (Mr. Hoo Pak-ming) again it should have a say here if it is not allowed to take too great a lead at the start. Mr. S. W. Lee has three ponies in Forehand Drive, Lovely Kid and Winnie to choose from, and whichever one he decides to ride should be prominent at the finish. There is also Colorado Star (Mr. Sequeira) to be reckoned with as this pony was third in the above race, ridden by Mr. Davis. I expect Quick Despatch to win with Tarzan second and Colorado Star third.

RACE NO. 4.—WYNDHAM HANDICAP: 1 1/4 MILES

This race will be contested by "B" Class China ponies. Judging from its last run behind Gay Star, Rose Emily (Mr. Poy) has been given another 7 lb. to handle, and as the distance is longer it will probably win this race. Mr. Wei has two ponies to choose from in Conquering Time and Red Feather, and I expect him to take out the latter as it is better over this distance. Mr. Black will take out Avon instead of Bear Claw and, although it ran unplaced the last time out, when carrying 108 lb., it should do better here with only 145 lb. to take care of. King Kong lost to Peaceful View by a neck in the Austin Handicap (second section) and has its weight reduced by 14 lb. It should have a say here if taken out by a strong riding jockey. Jober will again be ridden by Mr. Chao and if allowed to take a big lead it will not be too easy to overhaul. Lilliber, which went lame during the Annual Meeting, has been in training again, and although it seems to be looking well I am afraid it has not done sufficient track work to win this race. Humdrum-Eve (Mr. Pih) is also a dangerous contender on account of its light weight of 144 lb. I think the first position will be fought out between Rose Emily and Red Feather, with the third place very open.

RACE NO. 5.—MOORE PARK HANDICAP: SIX FURLONGS

This is the first leg of the "Daily Double" and will be contested by "A" Class Australian ponies with a proviso that winners of \$2,000 or more in stakes since 1st January, 1940, are barred. Viceroy, although recently promoted from "B" Class, with Mr. Black up, is my choice, which is based on the performance when it won the Vauluse Handicap over six furlongs at the 7th Extra Meeting. The danger, of course, is Lancashire Chips (Mr. Wei), which has always been placed over this distance. Courting Eve (Mr. Pih), although carrying top-weight of 165 lb., should not be overlooked as this pony is joint holder of the record over its stable mate, Fair View, over this distance. Conniber, which came in third at the 7th Extra Meeting in the Australian Ponies Autumn Plate, may give a better account of itself on Saturday if again ridden by Mr. Hearne. Many thanks to Mr. Davis to-morrow should be prominent at the finish as it is quite capable of extending the above ponies. I think Viceroy

will win with Lancashire Chips second and Courting Eve third. For a long shot I recommend keeping Devonian in mind. It will be ridden by Mr. Trevorton and has only 135 lb. to carry.

RACE NO. 6.—BALLARAT HANDICAP: ONE AND A QUARTER MILES

In this event, for "C" Class Australian ponies, I don't think I shall be far wrong in stating that the finish will be contested by: Venus Bay (Mr. Sung), Warrego River (Mr. Black), Shuttlecock (Mr. Hearne), Piccadilly Jim (Mr. Poy). Venus Bay, which won the Canberra Plate over the mile a week ago last Thursday, has been penalised 10 lb., but, although the distance is longer, I think it still stands a good chance of repeating its last success. Warrego River won the Williamstown Handicap over the same distance on the first day of the 8th Extra Meeting, and it has been penalised by 5 lb. It should be very near at the finish if it does not win. Shuttlecock lost to Brown Derby in the Katoomba Handicap over the two mile post distance and as it is carrying another 10 lb. its chance of winning is rather remote as the distance is probably against it. Piccadilly Jim was third in the race with Shuttlecock, and as it has been penalised by only 3 lb. and the distance is longer it should offer stern opposition to the first two above-mentioned ponies.

I like Warrego River better than the other two ponies.

RACE NO. 7.—NULLAH HANDICAP: (SECOND SECTION): ONE MILE

Those who succeed in the first leg will be presented with a real problem in making the right connection in this race, the second leg of the "Daily Double." The ponies taking part are from the second section "B" Class Australian ponies. Brown Derby (Mr. Black) was in the "C" Class, when it won the Katoomba Handicap over the two mile post distance, carrying 162 lb., and it won with plenty to spare. I think it will find good support against the "B" Class ponies, and I am of the opinion that this pony is good enough to win again. However, there is A Roaring Time (Mr. Wei) to be reckoned with as this pony was fourth in the Cantala Handicap over 1 1/4 miles on the first day of the 8th Extra Meeting and with a shorter distance it should prove a real menace to Brown Derby for first position. Derby Day (Mr. Hearne) and Pumpernickel (Mr. Tao) are very fast sprinters, but I doubt if they will last the mile. There are Happy Landings (Mr. Davis) and Winfred (Mr. Pih), two old stalwarts, to think of, as both of them are quite capable of upsetting calculations. I am, however, inclined to nominate Brown Derby to win, with A Roaring Time second and Happy Landings third. Winfred is the outsider in this race.

RACE NO. 8.—KWANGTUNG HANDICAP: ABOUT ONE MILE 151 YARDS

The biggest field of the day will turn out here, if all accept, but I doubt if we have enough jockeys to meet the demand. This is a forced entry race for "C" Class China ponies with no entrance fee. The Special Dollar Sweep will depend on the result of this race. Thirty Six (Mr. Hearne) has been penalised 20 lb. for coming in second in the first section of the Yunnan Handicap. I doubt very much whether it can win with this extra weight, and the best it can do will be place again. Victoria (Mr. Pih), winner of the second section of the above handicap carrying 150 lb., has been allotted 11 lb. more, but as it was not then extended it should win again. Eve of Dancing, which won the Carnarvon Stakes over the mile with Mr. Wood up, has gone up 9 lb. and if again ridden by the same rider will have 5 lb. allowance. These two combined well and should not be disregarded. Eve of Hunting, which won the Hunan Handicap (first section) over 1 1/4 miles last Thursday, will be taken out by Mr. Black and, in view of its easy win with Mr. Craven on top, it should be worth following. Taxing Master (Mr. Tao) ran unplaced the last time out, but this should not be taken as an indication that the pony is unable to last out the dis-

BOWLING ALLEY JOTTINGS

By "STRIKE"

THERE was quite a useful game of Ten Pins played in the Alleys on Friday between Joe Harvey and his Asheville Boys against a representative team from the Alleys.

C.P.O. Merkel deputised for Harmon of Asheville, who was unavoidably absent, but retired after the second game and C.P.O. Wood completed the remaining three games.

There was no doubt about the superiority of the Alley Team for they won by 309 pins, the individual scores being as follows:

ALLEY TEAM		ASHEVILLE	
J. H. Watts	878	C. J. Fleming	793
D. Hall	849	W. J. Balaski	757
Doc. Molthen	814	E. L. Wood	449
S. A. Ismail	772	Joe Harvey	734
		G. C. Merkel	271

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Watts, for Alley Team, was again top scorer with a useful 878, or an average of almost 176 pins per game, his consistency was noticeable, his lowest score being 165 and his highest 191.

Hall Does Well

D. Hall, for the Alley Team, did remarkably well, he bagged 849 or an average of 170 pins per game. In the case of this player the feature of his bowling was his wonderful consistency throughout the match, his scores being 166, 166, 168, 167, 182.

Doc. Molthen, for the Alley Team, did not shine as usual, his 814 or an average of 163 per game not representing, by any means his usual accomplishment. It seems that he only got going on his third game, when he netted a useful 211, the only score of 200 or over throughout the match.

Ismail, for Alley Team, scored 772 or an average of almost 155 per game. This was quite a useful score.

Fleming for the Asheville, who was top scorer for his side, almost reached the 800 mark, and would undoubtedly have done so had he not started off with a poor 126 on his first game; as it was he made a useful 793, or an average of 159 pins per game, and this score went a long way to stave off a bigger defeat.

Balaski for Asheville was lower than his usual, his 757 being about as low as I have seen him do. Again in the case of the veteran Joe Harvey, there was no doubt about his being away off, 734 or an average of 147 pins being about as low as I have ever seen him register for a match game. On the whole the Alley Team bowled very consistently, the average per game per player working out at almost 166 pins each, while the Asheville were only 150 pins per player per game.

Challenge Match

There was a pairs challenge match arranged on October 14, between C.P.O. Summers partnered by C.P.O. Wood against Balaski and Joe Harvey. The match resulted in a very close win for the former players by 25 pins only. The individual scores were as follows:

E. L. Wood	808	W. J. Balaski	814
C. J. Summers	751	Joe Harvey	720

Balaski was top scorer with 814 or an average of 163; he might have done better had he not failed on his second game, to make a poor 134. E. L. Wood made second top score with 808 or an average of 162, but again in his case he might have made a much higher score had he not made two low scores of 137 and 144 on his third and fourth games. Both Summers and Harvey were disappointing. Summers' 751 or 150 average being very low for him, while Harvey's 720 or 144 average was exceptionally low for such a

player. Keep this pony in mind, as I think it will be near at the finish. Blue Gate will again be Mr. Chao's mount, and as it came in second to Victoria the last time out it may possibly do better to-morrow. It will be recalled that this pony was running strongly going up to the Rock but was then jammed in and was lucky to place. Rose Flavin (Mr. Poy) has come down in weight by 18 lb. since coming fourth in the Yunnan Handicap (second section) over the two mile post distance, and as the pony is looking quite fit just now it can be relied on to give the others a good fight. Victoria should win with Eve of Dancing second and Taxing Master third.

seasoned played. Although he registered the highest score of the match, with a good 199, he failed badly on his second game to make 118, and 124 on his fifth game.

The third match of the 20-game challenge match between Doc. Molthen, partnered by Ernie Hearther, and Cpl. Blount, partnered by Cpl. Watts, was played off on Wednesday, October 17, and again resulted in a win for the former by 64 pins.

The individual scores were as follows:

Hearther	968	Blount	929
Molthen	904	Watts	879

There was no doubt about the high quality of the scoring from all four players. Watts might have done a little better but his 879 or an average of 176 per game was a good effort spoiled by a very low 137 on his fifth game; had he made on his fifth game the average of his first four games, which was 180, his score would have been 928 and would have materially assisted in reducing the deficit for the match. Blount as usual did extraordinarily well, his 929 or 186 pins per game being indeed a good effort; he also bagged, during his game, two beautiful scores, 212 on his fourth game and 210 on his fifth game.

Hearther Top-Scorer

Ernie Hearther was easily the top scorer of the match with a brilliant 968 or an average of almost 195 pins per game. Another strike or two in the right place would have made 1,000 or an average of 200 pins per game. He also bagged two 200 scores, 208 on his first game and another 208 on his third game.

Doc. Molthen made a good 904, or an average of 181 pins per game, which materially assisted his partner in the win. I cannot help thinking that these four players would carry all before them if they were in the same team together. I have compiled the total scores of the four players up to the end of the third leg, and it is interesting to note the averages of each; they are as follows:

Ernie Hearther	2721
(average of 182 pins per game)	
Doc. Molthen	2650
(average of 177 pins per game)	

Corp. Blount	5371
(average of 177 pins per game)	2655
Corp. Watts	2520
(average of 168 pins per game)	

Therefore Hearther and Molthen are in the lead by 196 pins on the third leg. There was quite a keenly contested five-game Ten Pins match between our old friends the Chief Petty Officers of the U.S.S. Asheville and the Royal Corps of Signals.

It was a return match, the first having been won by the Royal Signals. The match was arranged on the evening of the departure of the Asheville from the Colony and resulted in a wonderfully close finish, of 28 pins in favour of the Asheville C.P.O.'s, the scores being as follows:

ASHEVILLE C.P.O.		SIGNALS	
L. C. Garrett	852	D. Hall	856
E. L. Wood	816	H. Blount	787
G. C. Merkel	751	J. H. Watts	735
W. C. Colley	611	G. Birkett	654

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There was no doubt that the C.P.O.'s caught the Royal Signals napping, for, with the exception of L/Cpl. Hall, the rest were away below their usual scores, and were evidently completely off form. L/Cpl. Hall for Royal Signals was top scorer of the match with a good 856 or an average of 171 pins per game; his scoring was noticeable by his consistency, his lowest score being 161 and his highest 102.

L. C. Garrett for the Asheville was a very close second, with 852 or an average of almost 171, this being noteworthy by a magnificent 235 on his first game. Obviously this is the record score for the month up to time of writing these jottings. His score was made up with a spare on his first and second frames; four strikes in a row on his third, fourth, fifth and sixth frames; a spare on his seventh frame; then three more strikes on a row on his eighth, ninth, and 10th frames. It was a really good effort.

C.P.O. Wood for Asheville was third top scorer with 816 or an average of 163 pins per game; this player is getting better and better in each match he plays and I have no doubt that in the near future he will do even better. Blount and Watts for Signals were disappointing, their 787 and 735 respectively being the lowest I ever seen these accomplished bowlers put up. The rest of the players trailed away behind from 611 to 654 or an average of 120 to 131 pins per game. Nevertheless it was a very enjoyable match and another match against the Signals on their return to Hong Kong, will be arranged by Asheville.

THE Combined Small Units won the Large Units Water Polo competition by beating the Middlesex Regiment at the Queen's Road Swimming Bath on Tuesday evening, by two goals to one.

The Middies were unfortunate to lose by a penalty goal awarded against Bindon, for attempting to obstruct a free throw inside the four yards area.

The Middlesex defence were sound and often broken up the attacking forwards combination, although Hymas was a little inclined to hang on to the ball too long in the second half instead of giving it to his forwards. Bindon was slightly erratic on the wing.

Jennings was the pick of the losers and scored their only goal after a good pass from Bindon, who was attacked by two of the Small Units players on the wing. The Signals who were representing the Small Units, did not play as well as

Water Polo they usually do, and Macann, who has just come out of hospital, could not stay the pace. Pitcher and Bedford were the pick of the Small Units, and Bennett in goal gave a fine performance.

P.S.M. Ure, the Middies' half-back, played well and did not give Digman much chance throughout the game; he was far above the standard of his other partners.

Digman scored the first goal of the match in the first few moments of the second half, but this was soon equalised by Jennings who scored with a fine shot in the corner of the goal. The winning goal came from Morgan who scored from a penalty throw.

At the conclusion of the game Colonel Clifford, the President of the Area Aquatics, presented the

ARMY SPORTLIGHT

By "Squaddy"

Combined Small Units with the Soldiers' Club challenge cup for water polo. The Signals also were presented with cups for being winners of the Small Units water polo competition, and the Combined Small Units also received the Aggregate Cup for Swimming for 1940.

THE Army held its second rugby trial on Tuesday at Sookunpoo and one or two useful players were found.

Lieut. Wedderburn gave an excellent performance at scrum-half, and Lieut. Willoughby was outstanding in the pack.

Capt. Hook, who also is the Area Hockey officer, has been selected to Captain the Army XV on Saturday against the Club on the latter's ground.

2/Lieut. Heath is the only other newcomer to the Army team this year.

The Army "B" team will meet the Club "B" team on the Army ground on Saturday and will be captained by Capt. A. G. Hewitt of the Middlesex Regiment. Both teams are expected to do well.

The following teams will represent the Army versus The Hong Kong Football Club at the Club Ground Happy Valley on Saturday, 19th.

Army 1st XV. v. Club 1st XV.
2/Lt. Ford, 2/R.S., L/Bdr. Richards, 8th/H., Capt. Douglas, 2/R.S., Lieut. Coombes, R.A.M.C., Sgt. March, 8th/H., Capt. Hook, (Capt.), 8th/H., 2nd/Lt. Wedderburn, 5/A.A., Pte. Berry, 1/Mx., Cpl. Sutherland, 2/R.S., 2/Lt. Pinkerton, 2/R.S., Lt. Willoughby, 1/Mx., 2/Lt. Millar, 2/R.S., Capt.

Duke, 2/R.S., 2/Lt. Cuthbertson, 2/R.S., 2/Lt. Heath, 5/A.A.

Time: 4.15 p.m.
Army 'A' XV. v. Club 'A' XV.
Lt. Lomax, 8/H., L/C. Picton, R.E., Signm. Willis, R.C.S., Gnr. Gibblin, 5/A.A., Pte. Macdonald, R.A.M.C., 2/Lt. Gibson, 2/R.S., L/C. Foisy, R.E., 2/Lt. Bompas, H.K.S.R.A., Capt. Hewitt, (Capt.) 1/Mx., 2/Lt. Delderfield, 12/H., Gnr. Whitehead, 5/A.A., Cpl. Chandler, R.A.M.C., Pte. Mohan, R.A.M.C., Cpl. Bedford, R.C.S., Sgt. Page, 5/A.A.

Time: 3 p.m.
The following reserves will be prepared to play in either of the above teams:—

Capt. Drew-Wilkinson, 2/R.S., Gnr. Keeble, 2/Lt. Eddison, 12/H., L/Sgt. Sheldrake, R.E., and Gnr. Clifton.

Players are requested to be on the field 15 mins. before the game is due to start. Kit will be provided for both teams.

THE Small Units football knock-out competition is providing us with some brilliant football, and we have now nearly completed the first round of the knock-out. Here are the results to date:—

22nd (F) Coy. R.Es. beat 35th (M) C.D. Bty., R.A., by two goals to one, Lee Wai Lan and Chan Kum Poi scored for the Sappers, and Carley scored for the Gunners.

The Royal Air Force beat the 7th A.A. Bty., R.A., by the odd goal in five with Bartlett (2), Munfield (1) and Willis (1).

Small Units Football Thorne scored for the gunners.

"HQ" Coy of the Royal Scots

beat "D" Coy of the Middlesex by 2 goals to 1.

"D" Coy of the Royal Scots beat the Hong Kong Signal company by 5 goals to nil.

"A" Coy of the Royal Scots beat "C" Coy of the Middlesex 2-1.

"A" Coy of the Middlesex Regt. beat the Corps of Military Police 10 goals to nil with Jennings scoring no less than six times, Saw scoring 3, and Coomer 1.

"B" Coy of the Royal Scots beat the 27 Coy R.A.M.C., 3 goals to 1.

THE Middlesex Regt. are playing South China at Sookunpoo on Saturday, 19th, and will be strengthening their pivot line with

Association Football Bright being played for the first time this season; he has not been able to play before owing to injuries.

On Sunday the Royal Scots are playing Kwong Wah at Sookunpoo, and this should result in a win for the Scots.

SOFT ball is beginning to gain favour with units of the garrison and so far four teams have entered the league.

The Engineers, who made their debut last year are confident of giving a fine display again this year under the supervision of Welfie Welford, and have three excellent hurlers in Sgt. Denyer, Fox of football fame, and Shaw.

The Royal Scots are making their debut this season and will be managed by R. Phillips. They should be able to field some brilliant players, after

Softball having a lot of practice at baseball and Army rounders.

The 8th Hvy. Regt., R.A., are also entering the league and are showing the way for other Artillery teams, despite the long way that they have to come to play their games.

The Royal Air Force have a strong team and are after the league honours this season. They have an excellent hitter in Gillespie who has strengthened his hitting by playing a season of baseball.

Their manager, Tich Moulten, has great ideas for them, and they are rated as the most improved team in the Colony.

It is hoped that more units will follow the example of the four teams mentioned above. We are still trying to form an Army league for this sport, but no replies have been received as yet. If anyone is interested will they please get in touch with the Area Sports Board.

ON Tuesday, the Middlesex "A" team beat the Police "A" team at Shamshuipoo, by four goals to nil.

Hockey Sheehan scored the hat-trick, and Tait the other.

The best player on the field was Sgt. Waldron of the Middlesex, who, playing at left half, gave an excellent performance; he also plays for the Y.M.C.A.

NEXT week the Army Selection Committee for football, will meet for the purpose of selecting the Army teams to play against the Navy. Trial matches, will be played next month for the purpose of getting together a strong Army XI which will be given the opportunity of playing more together this season than in previous years.

Football Meeting

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MENTAL PATTERNS

By BEST BALL

By visualising the path of the stroke in advance a golfer, often subconsciously, directs his clubhead in that line. Joyce Wethered, celebrated English woman golfer, has her own particular formula along this line. On the down-swing she mentally outlines a path from six inches in front of the ball to a foot past it through which the clubhead must travel. This predetermined line lessens any tendency to err during the impact stage and as a result it is rare indeed when her shots are not straight and precise.

Some golfers find it helpful to form a mental image of the path of the follow through. Actually nothing that occurs during the follow through could effect the flight of the ball. But the pattern formed in the mind has a helpful effect in directing the club during the downswing so that such a finish is possible. As a result the ball is better struck for the follow through was so imagined that it could only result from a path straight through the ball.

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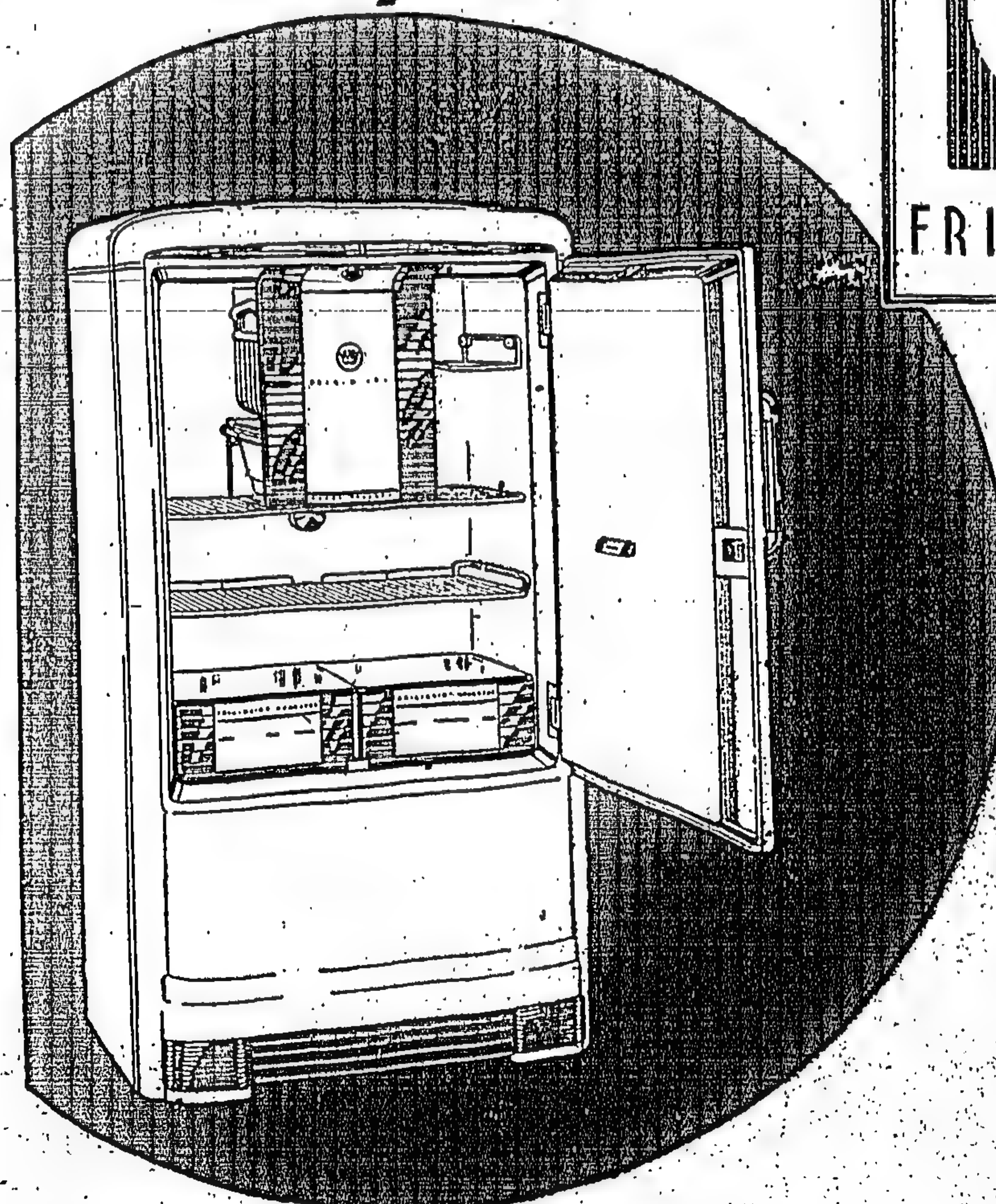
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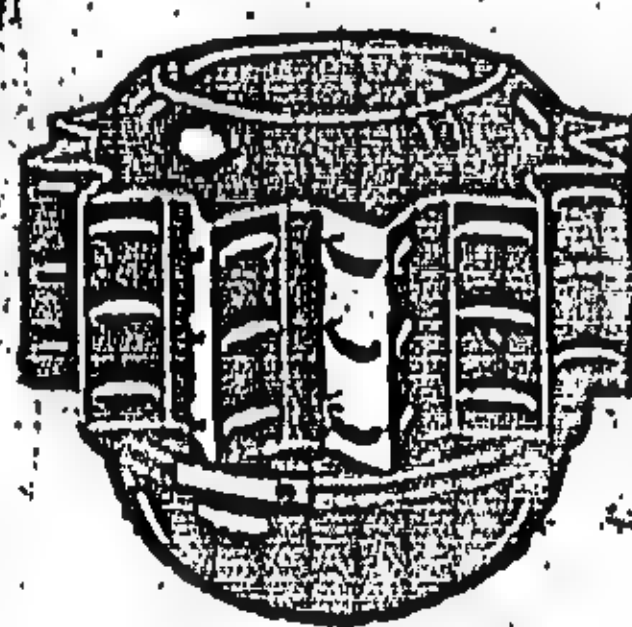
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FOOD SHORTAGE IN SHAMEEN

The complete cessation of traffic with Hong Kong and Macao and the banning by the Japanese authorities of the import of fresh fish and vegetables from districts surrounding these places has caused somewhat of a scarcity in certain commodities and foodstuffs in Canton.

Food prices have increased very considerably, particularly sugar and pork, while American oranges, it is reported, are selling in the city at three military yen apiece. On Shameen they are selling, when obtainable, at forty Hong Kong cents each.

Local B.A.T. cigarette stocks appear to be completely exhausted and what stocks are now available in retail stores are selling at very high prices.

The Shameen community is beginning to feel the pinch as the local branch of the Dairy Farm and Ice Cold Storage Co. has been unable to import any fresh meats, butter, cheese and so forth since the end of July.

They are completely sold out of cheese, bacon and "fancy lines" of meats and only regular customers are now being supplied with butter; even then they are rationed to half the usual quantity.

Coal is obtainable only in small quantities at prices averaging HK\$60 per ton against the pre-occupation price of HK\$28. — Reuter.

Mr. Churchill Explains The Position

THE SUSPENSION from his duties of Mr. R. Boothby, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Food, was announced by the Prime Minister in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Churchill indicated the suspension was at Mr. Boothby's own request pending investigation by a select committee of Mr. Boothby's connection with the payment out of assets in Britain of claims against the Government and institutions of Czechoslovakia.

LED LIKE LAMBS TO SLAUGHTER

The Rumanian people are angry at the way they have been hoodwinked into acquiescing with recent developments, according to Ankara Radio.

Hundreds of secret pamphlets denouncing the Germans and those who paved their way have been distributed all over the country.

The staff of the German naval mission has arrived in Bucharest and all Jews in the oil-districts have been told to leave immediately. — Reuter.

Mr. Churchill said the committee would report whether Mr. Boothby's conduct was contrary to the usage or derogatory to the dignity of the House or inconsistent with the standards which Parliament was entitled to expect from its members.

Explaining the situation, Mr. Churchill said that after the occupation of Prague, certain Czech assets were blocked in Britain and there arose the question of payment from these assets to those who had claims against Czechoslovakia.

Mr. Boothby, said Mr. Churchill, took a very active part in interviewing Ministers in this matter and pressed for legislation.

Financial Interest

Mr. Boothby spoke in the Commons on the bill which was subsequently introduced.

Mr. Boothby became chairman of an informal committee of Czech claimants and had pressed for payment of claims.

EVIDENCE, SAID THE PRIME MINISTER, HAD RECENTLY BEEN PLACED BEFORE THE GOVERNMENT WHICH INDICATED THAT MR. BOOTHBY HAD FINANCIAL INTERESTS IN ONE LARGE CLAIM.

This appeared, Mr. Churchill added, to be inconsistent with the statement which Mr. Boothby had made to the former Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Mr. Boothby Concurs

Mr. Boothby, said Mr. Churchill in conclusion, had concurred to the course proposed and had willingly submitted himself to the committee which he would assist in every way.

"I do not consider it fitting at this stage to call for Mr. Boothby's resignation from the office which he holds with distinction in the Government, as this might appear in the eyes of the public to prejudice the issue," declared Mr. Churchill. — Reuter.

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BAR TO D.F.C.

Among R.A.F. awards announced yesterday is a bar to the Distinguished Flying Cross to Pilot Officer A. G. Lewis, born at Kimberley, South Africa, who, according to the official account, "on September 27 destroyed six enemy aircraft. This makes a total of 18 destroyed by him. His courage and keenness are outstanding." — British Wireless.

STOP PRESS

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SHOW-DOWN IN BALKANS?

Mr. Anthony Eden To Visit Turkey From Egypt

U.S. HAILS BURMA RD. RE-OPENING

Banner headlines greet the re-opening of the Burma road in the American newspapers.

The "Washington Star" sees in the move renewed determination by Britain to have done with appeasement and stand firmly with America against further Japanese encroachment on the rights of the Western Powers in the Far East.

"The re-opening of the Burma road is more than a sign of a revitalised Britain (due to the apparent passing of the invasion threat). It is also an augury of a revitalised China grimly bent on driving the ruthless invader from her violated territory."

The "Star" adds that America has a proper concern over the Burma road developments, "for China is not only our friend but our first line of defence against Tokyo and the new tripartite totalitarian Axis."

Meanwhile the publicity drive against Japan continues in all quarters of the country.—Reuter.

Russia Still Deploys On Rumanian Line

EVACUEES TO BE GIVEN AN OPTION

It is learned officially that European women residents who have been warned that they must be evacuated in the near future are being given the option of making their own arrangements to leave the Colony.

Those who do not avail themselves of the option will receive instructions to proceed to Australia and Government will make the arrangements for their passage.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
A REPORT YESTERDAY THAT MR. ANTHONY EDEN, BRITAIN'S SECRETARY OF STATE FOR WAR, WILL SOON VISIT TURKEY FROM EGYPT, HAS BROUGHT THE BALKAN AND NEAR EAST TENSION CLOSER TO A SHOW-DOWN.

Word of the expected trip came from Ankara as Britain prepared to evacuate her nationals from Bulgaria out of the path of the Axis advance through the Balkans to the Black Sea, and supplied added credence to reports that both Rumania and Bulgaria will soon formally join the Axis.

PLAGUE RAGING IN HSINKING

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
The bubonic plague continues to strike terror into residents of Hsinking, Manchukou's capital.

The anti-epidemic headquarters of the Japanese Kwantung Army is to join in the drive to exterminate the dreaded disease. The epidemic enters on its fourth week with victims being found daily, prostrate in the streets. A house cleaning campaign is to be undertaken to exterminate fleas and so forth.—Havas.

COOLIE SHOT DEAD BY SENTRY

FAILING TO ANSWER THREE CHALLENGES BY A MEMBER OF THE KUMAON RIFLES, ON GUARD DUTY OUTSIDE CHINA COMMAND HEADQUARTERS IN VICTORIA BARRACKS, AT 1 A.M. TO-DAY AN UNKNOWN CHINESE WAS SHOT AND KILLED.

The Indian sentry saw the Chinese approaching from the cook-house. He failed to answer to three challenges and started to run. The sentry then opened fire. The dead man appeared to be

TWO RUMANIAN MINISTRIES GO

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
A Rumanian Government decree yesterday suppressed the Ministries of Air and Navy. The two Ministries will be replaced by four under-secretariats which will be placed under the control of the War Ministry.—Havas.

U.S. SEEKS OUTPOSTS IN PACIFIC

Members of the naval affairs committee of the United States House of Representatives, after an inspection tour, yesterday reported that the Pacific coast is safe from serious enemy attack and that the Navy is driving hard to establish new outposts in the Pacific.

The chairman of the sub-committee, Representative Darden (Virginia) reported he feels Hawaii is impregnable. He reported that aeroplanes will be stationed at Wake, Johnston and Palmyra islands after dredging operations have been carried out.

Mr. Darden said he was opposed to the fortification of Guam, although it would be preferable to a fleet base in the Philippines. He estimated the cost of fortifying Guam would be between \$400,000,000 and \$500,000,000.—International News Service.

WOMAN AND CHILD KILLED ON K.C.R.

Walking across the railway at Shatin on Wednesday, a 27-year-old Chinese woman, Chau Sau-nui, and her three-year-old daughter, were killed by a train about 5.50 p.m.

JAPAN PRESENTS PROTEST TO COLONY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

A NOTE OF PROTEST against the reported impending removal of restrictions on the export of gasoline, motor-vehicles, motor-accessories and other certain articles to Free China from Hong Kong, has been filed with the Hong Kong Government by Mr. K. Okazaki, Japanese Consul-General, on instructions from Tokyo.

It is understood that the note was presented last evening to Mr. N. L. Smith, Colonial Secretary, while in Tokyo, a similar protest was lodged with Sir Robert Craigie, the British Ambassador, by Mr. Matsuoka.

The note, it is learned, contends that the agreement between the British and Japanese authorities regarding the Hong Kong embargo on certain supplies to the interior of China was in no way connected with the Burma Road issue.

The Hong Kong agreement, the note states, was independent and no time limit was set. The restrictions were to be enforced for an indefinite period.

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DIFFIDENCE IN AXIS MOVES

Remote Bearing On Egypt Campaign

JAPANESE CLAIM

THREE JAPANESE COLUMNS, ADVANCING FROM DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS, ESTABLISHED CONTACT EARLY ON WEDNESDAY MORNING, COMPLETING THE ENCIRCLEMENT OF 20 CHUNGKING AND COMMUNIST DIVISIONS, STATES A DOMEI AGENCY MESSAGE FROM "SOMEWHERE IN CHINA."

The message adds this was the culmination of an intensive five-day drive launched along a front of nearly 200 miles straddling the Anhwei-Chekiang border south of the Yangtse River.

Up to Wednesday evening, the Japanese claim, the Chungking troops had abandoned 5,000 dead. —Reuter.

SURPRISING !

If the weather permits to-day, Japanese aeroplanes will bomb the Chinese side of the Burma Road, said the Japanese naval spokesman at Hanoi yesterday. —Reuter.

WHATEVER THE MEANING OF THE NEW AXIS MOVEMENTS IN THE BALKANS THEY ARGUE AN INTERESTING DIFFIDENCE IN PROCEEDING WITH THE PROBLEM AS IT IS.

The movements appear to have no immediate, though they have a remote bearing, upon the campaign in Egypt.

These conclusions are reached by the well-known expert "Strategicus" in this week's "Spectator."

The writer finds it significantly strange that caution should still loom so large in the Axis approach to the Egyptian campaign, seeing the opportunities Italy has had to mature her plans without molestation during the period of her non-belligerency and especially considering Italy's caution in timing her entry into the war for the moment when France was clearly out of it.

Superficially, "Strategicus" considers the German movements in Rumania suggest a pincers attack upon Egypt, a combination of a descent from the north by Germany and the development of a thrust from Libya.

In its more picturesque form it would imply a double envelopment of the Empire via Palestine

and Egypt, but cold commonsense does not appear to sanction such interpretations.

Italy Troubles

It seems improbable that Germany is prepared for a military campaign in the East and unless Turkey shows complacency, of which she has given no indication, that would have to be undertaken. What is troubling Italy is that the delay has strengthened the opposition instead of weakening it.

Germany's role may be limited to bringing pressure upon Greece via Bulgaria while Italy descends upon her from the north-west, but it seems improbable at the moment that either Germany or Italy wishes to be saddled with a campaign in this quarter of Europe.

Valuable Pawns

It would be extremely foolish to underrate the threatening nature of the Italian campaign against Egypt and to minimise the skill with which the Italian commander has seized valuable pawns in the Sudan and Kenya, and there is one respect in which the new German movements may have a slight adverse effect upon the British defence.

As diversion it may be hoped they will detain forces away from the Egyptian theatre. On the other hand the movements may have no more than nuisance value though they have to be allowed for.

"The Egyptian campaign must be further simplified before it looks like a sound proposition." —Reuter.

TRANSPORT FOR EVACUATION OF AMERICANS

It is reported in Shanghai that the United States transport Chaumont is expected to arrive there some time before the end of October to take part in the evacuation of American nationals.

It is understood that the vessel is already on her way to Shanghai and will, according to the reports, be the first evacuation ship calling at Shanghai. —Reuter.

GOVT. CAN TAKE IT TOO

Reuter learns there is no question of the British Government leaving London. On the contrary, the Government intends to remain in London.

At the same time, the view has been expressed from the beginning by the Ministry of Home Security that the more people who can leave London without interfering with their business the better, and the policy of encouraging people to leave London if they have places to go, remains unchanged.

There is no question of any compulsory evacuation at present. —Reuter.

SIGNIFICANT VISIT OF MR. EDEN TO EGYPT

(By Reuter's Military Correspondent)

MR. ANTHONY EDEN, the Secretary of State for War, is now in Egypt to confer with General Sir Archibald Wavell, Commander-in-Chief in the Middle East.

The significance of this visit at such a time is clear — Mr. Eden's business is to help General Wavell to the utmost of his power with men, munitions and equipment and discuss with him questions regarding higher policy of the campaign.

At any moment the Nazi legions in the Balkans may march. Indeed, if they do not do so soon, the opportunity may well be lost when the dry autumn weather which now reigns changes into wet and roads become muddy and incapable of supporting mechanised corps.

If they do march it will be in conjunction with the Italian forces in North Africa and the battle will at once become one of large dimensions.

At such a time it is well that Mr. Eden is on the spot to see for himself and hear from others the exact military situation.

Military Axiom

That Mr. Eden will have an opportunity of discussing with Admiral Sir Andrew Cunningham, Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, is a *sine qua non*.

"Time spent in reconnaissance is never wasted," is a military axiom Mr. Eden has not forgotten and his advice will be particularly valuable when he returns to the Cabinet in London. —Reuter.

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PAPA PETAIN DECEIVES HIMSELF

THE ROME NEWSPAPER "POPOLO D'ITALIA," COMMENTING YESTERDAY ON MARSHAL PETAIN'S RECENT MESSAGE TO THE FRENCH PEOPLE, DECLARES THAT THE VICHY GOVERNMENT SEEMS, IN EFFECT, TO SAY THAT FRANCE WOULD BE WILLING TO TRANSFORM HERSELF BUT THE AXIS IN ITS PEACE CONDITIONS WOULD HAVE TO REDUCE ITS CLAIMS.

Declaring that certain neutral newspapers have given this interpretation to Marshal Petain's message, "Popolo d'Italia" says the following points must be made clear:

First, the war was not started and won to give France a totalitarian regime.

Second, the Vichy Government is making a big mistake if, in the "revolution from above," it is trying to save what France has lost.

Third, when France has paid all that she will have to pay she will be free to choose the regime she prefers. —Reuter.

POOR ATTEMPT TO INSULT NAVY

THE GERMANS HAVE NOW COME FORTH WITH THEIR VERSION OF THE SHELLING OF DUNKIRK ON TUESDAY NIGHT.

They claim that the British started firing before they came within range and withdrew without doing any military damage.

(It is worth recalling in this connection that the British Admiralty has announced that Dunkirk was very heavily shelled and the attack was as successful as that a week ago on Cherbourg). —Reuter.

HIMMLER DUE IN MADRID

Herr Himmler, chief of the Nazi Secret Police, is expected to arrive in Madrid on Sunday. —Reuter.



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REFUGEE SCRAMBLE AT LISBON

The refugee trek to South and North America has reached such proportions that all passages by sea and air for the remainder of the year are booked, it was stated in Lisbon yesterday.

Hotels and boarding houses in Lisbon are filled with Frenchmen, Poles, Dutchmen, Belgians, Czechs and Luxemburgers hoping to proceed to the Americas this year or next.

Each day the consulates are besieged. Visas are being granted only after careful investigation of the credentials of each individual.

Owing to extra work of this nature the United States consulate has been enlarged and additional employees engaged.—Reuter.

Washington Talks

Mr. Cordell Hull, Mr. Sumner Welles and Mr. Norman Davis, of the Red Cross, yesterday conferred with President Roosevelt in Washington on the foreign refugee situation.

No announcement is immediately forthcoming.—Reuter.

CRUISER LAUNCHED

FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MANY MONTHS, THE LONDON PRESS WAS YESTERDAY PERMITTED TO PUBLISH A PHOTOGRAPH OF ONE OF THE NEW WARSHIPS FOR THE ROYAL NAVY COMING OFF THE STOCKS.

The vessel is a cruiser. Air raids delayed work on the ship for only four hours during the entire period of construction.—Reuter.

CONTROL OF LABOUR IN PEIPING

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") A regulation for the control of labourers in the Peiping district was promulgated yesterday by the peiping labour control committee. According to the regulation employers desiring to hire more than 100 labourers will ask the committee's permission.—Havas.

BURMA'S GIFT FOR AIRCRAFT

Among gifts acknowledged by the Minister of Aircraft Production is a further contribution of £10,000 from the people of Burma and £1,000 from the Sultan of Trengganu on behalf of the people of the State.—British Wireless.

NEW ZEALAND ORDERS IN BRITAIN

During September the New Zealand Government placed orders for contracts to the value of £100,000 with Midland and Scottish firms chiefly for electricity and railway material.—British Wireless.

Dr. G. Hutchison-Cockburn, Minister of Dunblane Cathedral, has been nominated as Moderator of the next General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.—British Wireless.

CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL HAD A NARROW ESCAPE IN AN AIR RAID YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, WHEN A FORMATION OF MESSERSCHMIDT FIGHTER-BOMBERS, DIVING OUT OF THE CLOUDS, DROPPED 20 HIGH EXPLOSIVE AND INCENDIARY BOMBS IN THE TOWN, THREE OF WHICH FELL IN THE PRECINCTS OF THE CATHEDRAL.

The Ministry of Home Security announces that some damage was done to the Deanery and in the precincts but the Cathedral itself, where panes of glass were damaged in a raid last week, suffered no harm.

One bomb landed in the front garden of the Deanery but Dean Hewlett Johnson and members of his staff who were sheltering in the vaulted passages escaped injury.

About a dozen private houses were wrecked but most of the bombs fell in open spaces and only one man, a member of the Home Guard, was killed.

Fighter-Bombers

The Air Ministry communique issued last night says that the German attacks during the day were confined mainly to South-East England and, in accordance with the new tactics, were mainly carried out by fighters flying at a great height.

"With complete regularity, each formation was set upon by large forces of British fighters and their formations were scattered.

Few planes succeeded in reach-

ing London and apparently few bombs were dropped.

Three Shot Down

Three enemy aircraft were destroyed yesterday, it is announced officially in London. One British fighter is missing.

It is now confirmed that four enemy bombers were destroyed on Wednesday night.—Reuter.

Hundreds Of 'Planes Over London, Says D.N.B.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") A claim issued in Berlin this morning stated that squadrons of three corps of the German air force, numbering hundreds of planes, rained tons of explosive and incendiary bombs on London early to-day in mass attacks which surpassed any night raids yet.—International News Service.

JAPAN'S ATTITUDE DOES NOT PLEASE LITTLE BISMARCK

RIBBENTROP, THE NAZI Foreign Minister, is angered by Japan's attitude which caused his calculations in the East sadly to misfire, according to Dutch sources in London quoted yesterday by "Frie Nederland," semi-official organ of the Dutch Government.

The newspaper declares its information is based on special information and not mere supposition. It asserts Ribbentrop is dismayed because the situation in the East Indies has not worsened recently.

Ribbentrop has been striving to whip up Japanese feeling against the Dutch by disseminating the assertion that Holland under British influence would be forced to lease naval bases in the Dutch Indies to America.

Necessity for such a thing, however, does not arise as the Dutch Indies are not being attacked or seriously threatened. In certain military circles in Tokyo, enthusiasm may be aroused by Nazi press statements that Japan desires to attack the East Indies but it does not do so with the Japanese Government.

Cables Withheld

"We have proof that telegrams from authoritative sources in Tokyo reflecting the Japanese Government's policy are withheld by the Nazi press; Japan's attitude of restraint is not to Berlin's taste. Moreover the Washington reaction to Rib-

bentrop's Berlin - Rome - Tokyo move has strengthened the hands of the more responsible Japanese statesmen."—Reuter.

BRITISH MISSION

BY AGREEMENT WITH THE SOUTH AMERICAN STATES, BRITAIN IS SENDING A SPECIAL MISSION TO SOUTH AMERICA TO EXPLAIN BRITAIN'S ECONOMIC POLICY IN THE WAR AND PROMOTE EXPORT TRADE.

The mission will not negotiate any commercial agreements. It will be headed by Lord Willington, former Governor-General of Canada and Viceroy of India.—Reuter.

THE ANSWER COMES PAT

Last night's Air Ministry communique makes a laconic comment on the German High Command communique admitting the loss of only two aircraft on Wednesday night.

"The four German aircraft destroyed last night can be seen near Harwich, Bishop's Stortford, Denbeigh and Frome" remarks the Air Ministry.—Reuter.

POWER PROJECTS FOR DEFENCE

President Roosevelt informed Congress yesterday that he has allocated \$1,000,000 for preliminary surveys on the development of additional power for defence purposes at the International Rapids section of the St. Lawrence River.

The President has also created a St. Lawrence advisory committee to advise him in planning the appropriate agencies of the Canadian Government.—Reuter.

D.E.I.'S FINE GIFT TO R.A.F.

Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands, on behalf of the inhabitants of the Dutch East Indies, yesterday gave Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production, a cheque to purchase 40 Spitfires and 18 bombers for the R.A.F.

Acknowledging the gift in a letter to Prince Bernhard, Lord Beaverbrook says: "Together our two nations will endure and together they will rejoice in victory over mean and brutal tyranny, and that victory is brought nearer by the powerful fighters which you enable us to attach to our squadrons."

"In doing so we will faithfully carry out the wish you express of naming the machines which will go into battle, bearing proudly the names of Netherlands possessions."—Reuter.

WEST INDIA'S FIRST SPITFIRE

THE WESTERN STATES WAR PLANES FUND, WHICH NOW TOTALS £6,500, HAS PRESENTED ITS FIRST "SPITFIRE" TO HIS MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT. The plane will be known as "Western India State."—Reuter.

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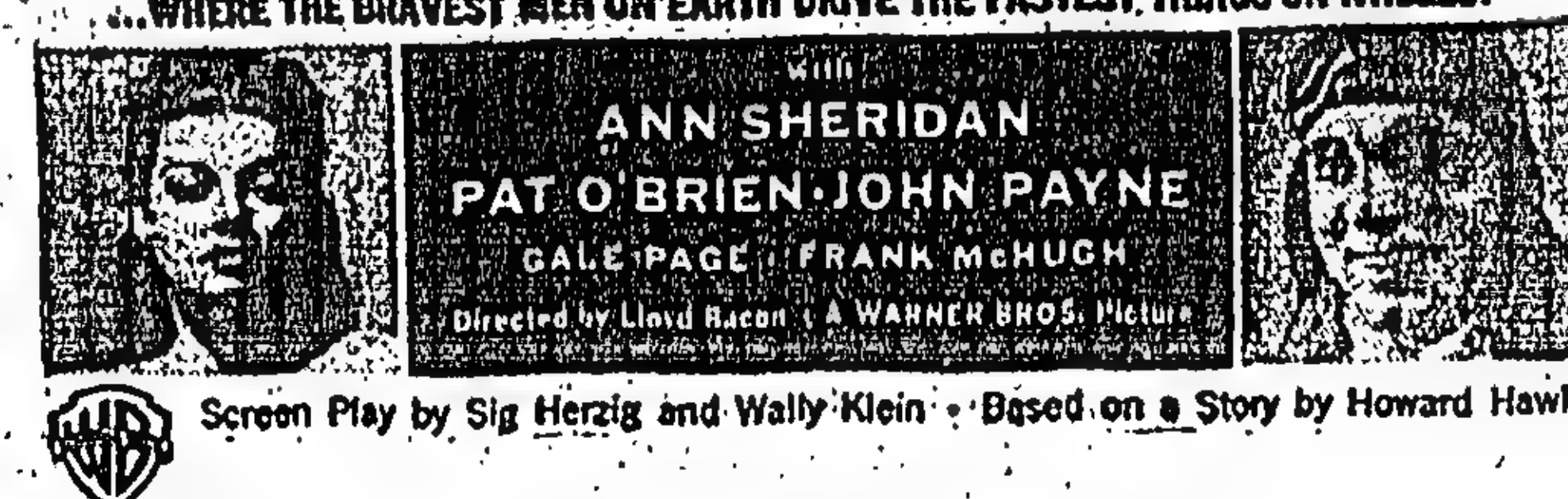


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SECRET WEAPON OF THE NAVY: FASTEST M.T.B.S IN WORLD

(From Reuter's Special Correspondent at a British Naval Base)

BRITAIN NOW POSSESSES the fastest small warships in the world. They are the very latest of the Navy's already extremely secret weapon, namely motor torpedo-boats.

They are the fastest ships afloat and though small they have a sting as deadly as many larger ships.

Whether roaring along at full throttle, when they virtually skim the waves at 50 miles an hour, or slipping almost noiselessly through the night on silenced engines, they promise a new terror to the enemy.

Their small size makes them a target almost impossible to hit, especially at high speed. The correspondent, who was privileged to take a ride in one of the craft, writes: "It was a real hair-raising thrill. By comparison, motoring is like riding in a bath chair."

"The vessel manoeuvred in the water as a Spitfire does in the air."

"Inside the tiny hull, giant engines, producing thousands of horse-power, thundered like half a dozen express trains."

"Earsplitting"

"The gunners fired ear-splitting rounds at an imaginary aeroplane overhead and the captain rapped out orders which transformed the operations into a torpedo attack behind a smoke screen."—Reuter.

MOTORIST CAUTIONED

Mr. C. T. Bailey, of Cable and Wireless, Ltd. was summoned before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., this morning, for failing to have two front lights on his car, in Ice House Street at 12.10 a.m. on September 29; and for failing to produce his driver's licence when asked by Sergeant Moran.

Sergeant Moran saw the car proceeding without front lights. He stopped the car and asked defendant for his licence. He failed to produce it. Sergeant Moran then requested him to bring licence to the Traffic Office the following day, but again no licence was produced.

Defendant was cautioned.

NOTHING TO REPORT IN EGYPT

"There is nothing of importance to report in Egypt," states the communique issued from British GHQ in Cairo last night.

The communique adds: In the Sudan and Kenya, our offensive patrols continue to be active.—Reuter.

FOUR AUXILIARY CRAFT LOST

The Admiralty announce that four auxiliary craft have recently been sunk by enemy action. They are the trawlers "Resolve," "Listre" and "Warwick Deeping" and the drifter "Summer Rose."—Reuter.

RADIO SET LEFT ON FERRY

A portable radio receiving set was found on one of the "Star" ferry launches at 11.25 p.m. on Wednesday. The owner may apply to the Water Police Station.

Mrs. Rex Ray, of Cheung Chau, has reported the loss of her handbag and contents yesterday, between the General Post Office and St. Francis Hotel.

MADRID'S STRANGE BEHAVIOUR

The Swiss Legation in Madrid has been instructed to inquire into the Spanish Government's reasons for prohibiting the entry into Spain of Swiss citizens between the ages of 18 and 40 travelling to Anglo-Saxon countries, especially Canada, stated ne "Basier Nachrichten" yesterday.

The newspaper states that the ban, which was introduced for Swiss subjects on Tuesday and already existed for Britons, Poles, Czechs and other national of German occupied countries of military age.—Reuter.

PARLIAMENT'S LIFE TO BE PROLONGED

A BILL EXTENDING THE PRESENT LIFE OF PARLIAMENT WAS INTRODUCED BY THE PRIME MINISTER YESTERDAY AND GIVEN ITS FIRST READING.

The present Parliament is five years old and its term of office should end next month.

It is, however, open to Parliament to prolong its life at any time of national emergency. This was done in the last war and will be done again this time. — Reuter.

DAYLIGHT RAID ON BREST

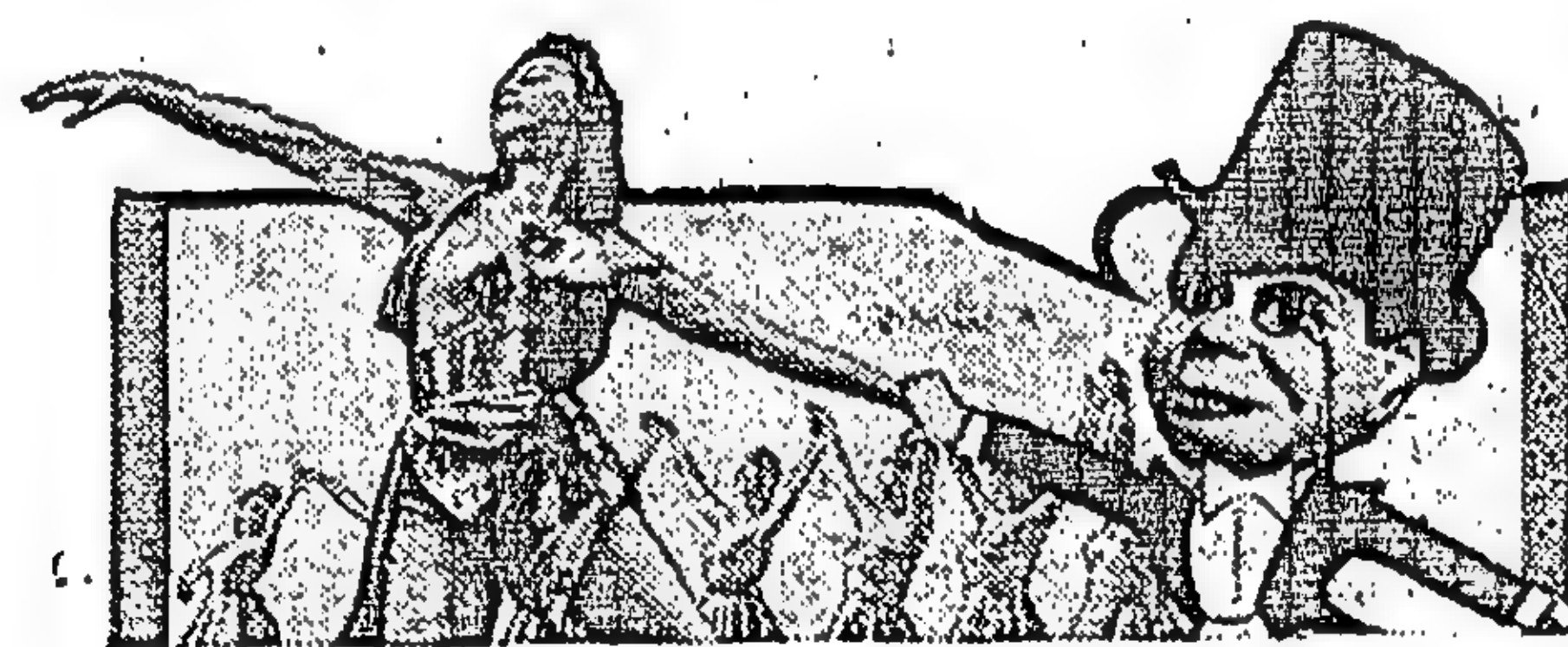
A daylight attack was made yesterday on the power station of the German occupied naval base at Brest by Coastal Command aircraft, states an Air Ministry communique.

A number of bombs were dropped and extensive damage caused. — Reuter.

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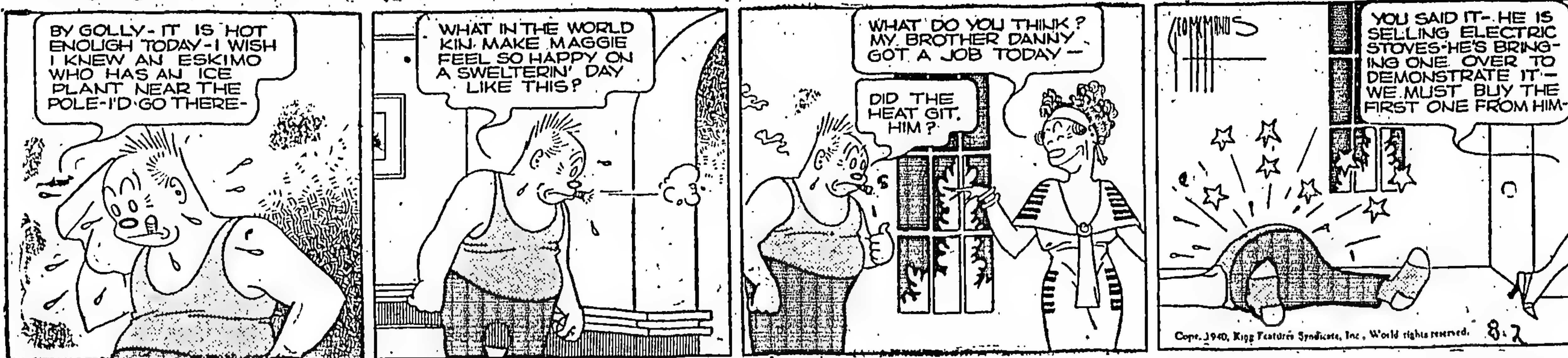
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CANTON CONSULAR CHANGES

Mr. L. A. Scopes, British Vice-Consul in Canton, has been transferred to Saigon and will be leaving with Mrs. Scopes and their infant daughter as soon as transportation is available. He will be replaced by Mr. P. D. Coates, who is already in the consulate in Shantou, while Mr. C. W. Martin is arriving shortly to replace Mr. Coates.

Mr. E. E. Rice, of the United States Consulate-General in Canton, has been transferred to Foochow and will be replaced by Mr. Ludden, who arrived with Mrs. Ludden in the U.S.S. Mindanao. Mr. Rice left Canton in the warship. — Reuter.

NORTH STATION INCIDENT

According to Japanese reports in Shanghai last night, an attempt to assassinate Liang Hung-chih, Chairman of the former "Nanking Reformed Government," was made on Wednesday morning at the North Station.

Two hand-grenades, it is said, were discovered by the police in the station a few hours before Liang boarded a train for Nanking. No arrests have been made. — Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON SCHOOL CHILDREN: HALF MILLION LEAVE

Nearly half a million school-children—489,000—or about 56 per cent of the whole school-children of the London evacuation area, have left the capital. This was revealed by Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, Minister of Health, in a statement in the Commons yesterday. — Reuter.

THE BIG SWEEP

OVER 346,700 SPECIAL DOLLAR SWEEPSTAKE TICKETS ON THE KWANGTUNG HANDICAP AT THE NINTH EXTRA RACE MEETING TO BE HELD TO-MORROW, HAVE BEEN SOLD.

The first prize is now valued at over \$148,000 the second at over \$42,000; and third at over \$21,000. The Jockey Club's net receipts from the sweepstake will be donated to British war funds, and to the British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China.

AMERICAN OFFER TO DE GAULLE

An offer to provide ambulances and volunteer drivers to serve with the French Army has been received at headquarters of the Free French Forces in London from the American Field Service in New York, stated a communique issued by General de Gaulle's headquarters yesterday.

A letter to General de Gaulle states that the volunteer ambulance drivers of the American Field Service, who served with the French Army in France and who returned to the United States, are again anxious to serve with the French and are ready to volunteer for service if opportunity arises.

General de Gaulle's communique states he has gladly accepted this generous offer from the American Field Service, and there is no doubt that, in the near future, American ambulance units will be serving with the Free French Forces either in the Free French Empire or in England. — Reuter.

SEAMEN'S WELFARE BOARD

The new Seamen's Welfare Board, set up by the Minister of Labour to advise on all questions concerning the welfare of British, Allied and foreign seamen in British ports and British crews in overseas ports, met for the first time in London yesterday. Members of the Board include representatives of shipowners and seamen's organisations. It was decided to set up or reconstitute local welfare committees in Bristol, Cardiff, Glasgow, Hull, Leith, London, Marseilles and Newcastle. — British Wireless.

SOVIET ESTIMATE OF AIR WAR

AIR SUPREMACY BELONGS TO NEITHER BRITAIN NOR GERMANY, SAYS "RED STAR," OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE SOVIET ARMY, IN A COMPARISON BETWEEN THE TWO AIR FORCES.

The paper continues: — "British aviation is not crushed and is even spreading its activity." — Reuter.

WEYGAND'S POWER IN AFRICA

General Weygand, High Commissioner for French Africa, has been authorised to expel from territory under his charge until the end of hostilities, all persons deemed dangerous to public security, states the Havas agency in a Vichy despatch quoted by Reuter.

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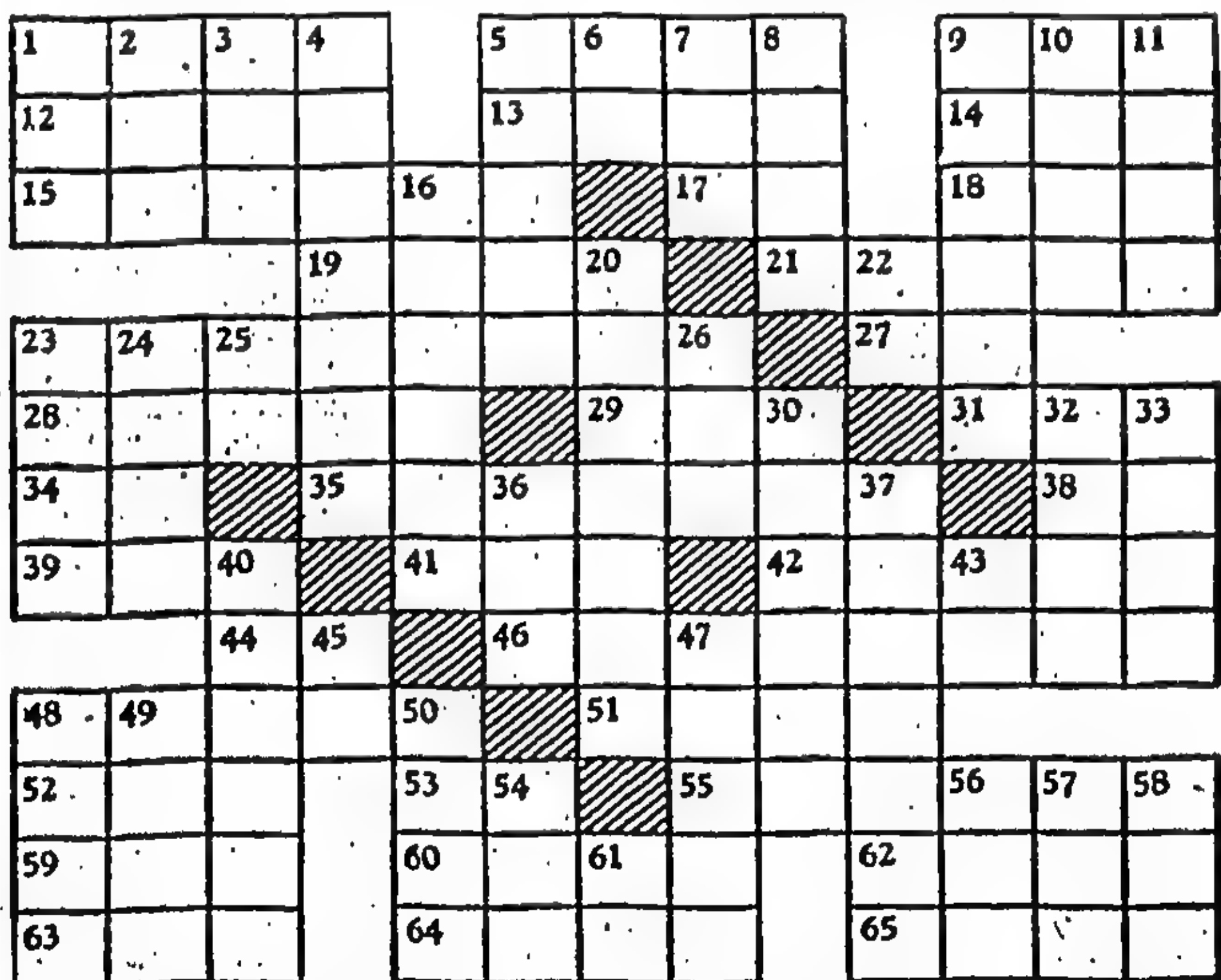
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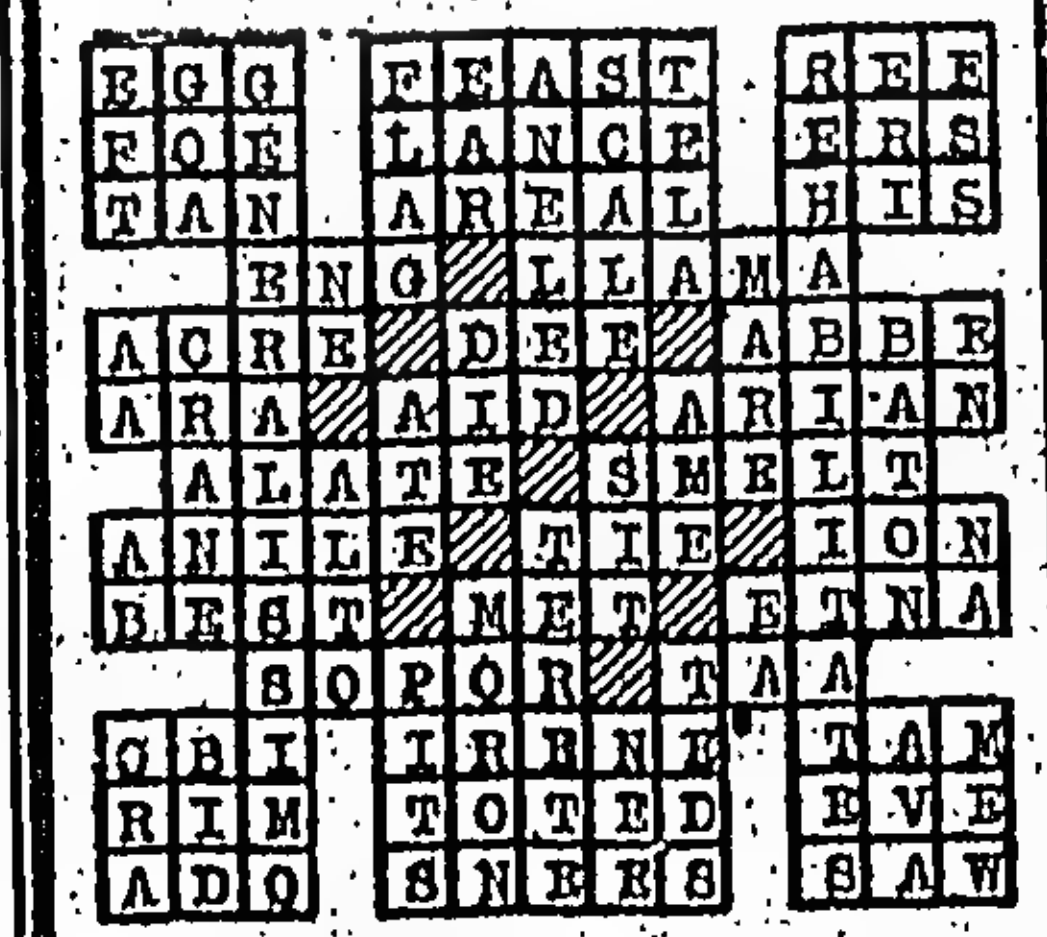
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- 12 Sand mound
- 13 Seed plant
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- 15 To make beloved
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- 21 To wear away
- 23 Midwestern state
- 27 Preposition
- 28 Wind
- 29 To breathe convulsively
- 31 Fuel
- 34 Note of scale
- 35 Made fun of
- 36 To exist
- 39 English river
- 41 Born
- 42 To assign
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- 46 Adventure
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- 65 To ignore

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- 7 Anglo-Saxon money
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- 9 Malayan garment
- 10 Barren
- 11 To walk with effort
- 16 Ascended
- 20 Simplest
- 22 Artificial language
- 23 Additional
- 24 Alpine goat
- 25 Symbol for cobalt
- 26 To bow
- 30 To censure
- 32 In bed
- 33 Withered
- 36 Female ruff
- 37 Relics
- 40 In existence
- 43 Note of scale
- 45 Pronoun
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Health Services Stand Up To New War Strain

A HEARTENING survey of the health of Britain was given in the House of Commons yesterday by the Minister of Health, Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, who stated that in the disturbing situation of the year 1939, which included eight months of uneasy peace and four months of war, the health of the nation had been uniformly good.

During that year the number of children in England and Wales who died before their first birthday was 50 per thousand, the lowest figure ever recorded. The same could be said of the maternity mortality rate which had fallen to 2.82 per thousand births.

The death rate from all forms of tuberculosis at 636 per million was one per million higher than in 1938 but less than half the figure in 1914.

Mr. Macdonald continued: "The worst visitation of 1939 was the outbreak war. At its very beginning it threw a new kind of strain upon our health services which they successfully withstood and which showed their adaptability to circumstances."

Large Migration

The evacuation of 730,000 children and 420,000 mothers from the industrial cities of the country was a large migration of people from populous areas where necessary special medical services were located.

Our present trials in this much bombed city and throughout the rest of the country are not a prelude to defeat. They are not the death agony of Britain but the rather unpleasant, terrible but hopeful pangs of a new Britain.

The sojourn of London and other city children under the evacuation schemes in the country has had a most stimulating effect on their physical well-being. Fresh air has made them taller, heavier and more resistant to illness.

Fresh Draughts

We must see to it after the war that our town and city children have ample opportunities every year to go and draw fresh draughts of health and life from the lovely countryside of England."

Dealing with the strain of the heavy German raids in recent weeks Mr. Macdonald said: "Stretcher parties, first aid ambulance teams and hospital orderlies, nurses and doctors have performed their task, often under fire, with inexpressible coolness and skill. We know now what we suspected before, that they will be equal to any work, however hard, or danger that is allotted them."

Air Raid Casualties

"At this moment only some 5,500 beds in wards are filled by air raid casualties. It would be a mistake to feel too much assurance from the fact. It would be foolish to assume that we shall not suffer worse before the enemy is finally beaten back from London to Kent and from Kent across the Channel and from the Channel over Europe until he is smashed on the soil of Germany herself."

Dealing with the problem of the large numbers spending nights in shelters for protection against enemy air attack, a "problem which looms out of the winter darkness just ahead," Mr. Macdonald said: "Already some 480,000 school children, about 56% of the whole school children population in London evacuation areas, have left."

"At the present time mothers and children are leaving London at the rate of several thousands each day. And every few days now we are taking some hundreds of aged and infirm who are amongst the most difficult problems in shelters to be cared for in hospitals and homes found for them in the country."

Shelter Sleepers

"It is of supreme importance that night dwellers in shelters should be able to lie down in comfort and the sleep of the just. That state

of affairs will be achieved when bunks have been set up, which will be in the very near future."

"A healthy standard of sanitary equipment is being provided."

"The Medical Officer of Health in each borough is being made responsible for ensuring that frequent inspection of each public shelter is made."

"In each shelter holding more than 500 people there will be a first aid post, the equipment of which will run beyond normal first aid supplies."

Mr. Macdonald concluded: "In these testing days and nights the common people of Britain are demonstrating once more their very fine qualities."

"They are showing again that they deserve the best out of life that organised human society can give and we must certainly do all in our power to see that the care of their health and such that they possess of physical strength not only outlast and defeat the Nazi enemy but overcome successfully the civilian problems they will have to face when peace is declared." — British Wireless.

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THE MANAGER OF THE MODERN READERS SERVICE, NO. 33, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, FIRST FLOOR, WAS SUMMONED BEFORE MR. H. G. SHELDON K.C. THIS MORNING, FOR SELLING BOOKS INFRINGING COPYRIGHT.

The books involved were Hall and Steven's School Arithmetic, Hall and Steven's School Geometry, Nesfield's Grammar, New Method Readers from Vol. 1A to 7, of Longmans, Green and Company.

Mr. M. A. da Silva pleaded guilty on behalf of defendant. Mr. R. M. M. King appeared for the prosecution.

Defendant was fined \$200 and the books were ordered to be confiscated.

COUNSEL BUT NO ACCUSED

CHUI LOI, WHO IS CHARGED WITH MANSLAUGHTER OF HO YAU-SAM, AND WHO IS ON BAIL, FAILED TO ANSWER HIS NAME AT THE CRIMINAL SESSIONS THIS MORNING.

Mr. H. C. Macnamara, for accused, said that, through an oversight, the instructing solicitor forgot that pleas were taken to-day. Attempts were being made to get in touch with the accused, who works at Needle Hill Mines.

The Chief Justice said that pleas were always taken on the 18th unless it was notified otherwise in the "Gazette."

He had nothing in the depositions regarding bail. This could be argued later. He issued a warrant for accused's arrest.

AMERICAN SCHOOL TO CLOSE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The American School in Peking is to close down owing to the evacuation of American citizens. The school decided yesterday to suspend all classes. Havas.

ICE-CREAM NAVY

A Motto has been suggested for the Italian Navy. It is: "Stop me and sink one."

FOOD SHORTAGE IN SHAMEEN

The complete cessation of traffic with Hong Kong and Macao and the banning by the Japanese authorities of the import of fresh fish and vegetables from districts surrounding these places has caused somewhat of a scarcity in certain commodities and foodstuffs in Canton.

Food prices have increased very considerably, particularly sugar and pork, while American oranges, it is reported, are selling in the city at three military yen apiece. On Shameen they are selling, when obtainable, at forty Hong Kong cents each.

Local B.A.T. cigarette stocks appear to be completely exhausted and what stocks are now available in retail stores are selling at very high prices.

The Shameen community is beginning to feel the pinch as the local branch of the Dairy Farm and Ice Cold Storage Co. has been unable to import any fresh meats, butter, cheese and so forth since the end of July.

They are completely sold out of cheese, bacon and "fancy lines" of meats and only regular customers are now being supplied with butter; even then they are rationed to half the usual quantity.

Coal is obtainable only in small quantities at prices averaging HK\$60 per ton against the pre-occupation price of HK\$28. — Reuter.

LED LIKE LAMBS TO SLAUGHTER

The Rumanian people are angry at the way they have been hoodwinked into acquiescing with recent developments, according to Ankara Radio.

Hundreds of secret pamphlets denouncing the Germans and those who paved their way have been distributed all over the country.

The staff of the German naval mission has arrived in Bucharest and all Jews in the oil-districts have been told to leave immediately. — Reuter.

"CAT" FOR ASSAULT ON WOMAN

At the Criminal sessions this morning before Sir Atholl MacGregor, Chan Shau-kee and Wong Man pleaded guilty to assaulting a woman at Kowloon on September 19 with intent to rob.

Chan Shau-kee was sentenced to nine months' hard labour and 12 strokes of the cane. Wong Man who also pleaded guilty to possession of a revolver and four rounds of ammunition was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour. On the assault charge he was sentenced to 18 months' and 12 strokes of the "cat," the sentences to run concurrently.

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CHAMPIONS OF CIVILISATION

It is said that some animals can lose a leg without knowing it. Is civilisation like that? Or is it awake to its peril? After Tuesday night's savage bombing of London one wonders. Other cities, other peoples have been subjected to this kind of crime—the Chinese, the Ethiopians, the Spaniards, Poles, Finns, Norwegians, Dutch, Belgians, and French. Ruthless aggressors have spared no treasure of person or possession. Now they unleash on the greatest capitals of civilisation their boasted utmost of destruction. Will what remains of the civilised world be merely horrified or will it arouse itself to make sure that the new barbarism shall be turned back for good?

This struggle over London is the complete symbol of the largely unseen struggle of civilisation against barbarism. Every pilot of the Royal Air Force, every bargee at the Thames docks, every humble householder in the East End is a champion of world culture and Christianity. After all the hairsplitting over the war's causes, all the totalitarians' twisted propaganda, all weighing of past mistakes, that is the simple fact.

Those who cherish the best the human spirit has known sense this situation. The spirit of Londoners against odds which no one dared count is beyond praise. Their magnificent courage has been truly voiced by Winston Churchill, the nation's spiritual strength by Lord Halifax.

But one of the most confident tributes to the British people's staying power comes from the writings of an American:

Let who will fail, England will not. These people have sat here a thousand years, and here will continue to sit. They will not break up or arrive at any desperate revolution, like their neighbours; for they have as much energy, as much confidence of character, as they ever had.

Emerson wrote that a hundred years ago. It is true to-day. And all who give thanks for those who stand so staunchly in the front line can find means of making their gratitude effective.

FOR THE TAKING



PARRISH in the "Chicago Tribune."

Democracy's Other Ally

As the first year of the war comes to its end, Britain fights on alone in Europe against the anti-democratic forces of Nazism and Fascism. Nominally, of course, England still has allies. Poland, Norway, and the Low Countries are still formally aligned with the British Empire, although these countries, like France, have been overrun by Germany. But it is Great Britain which in actual practice bears alone the brunt of the battle against aggression in Europe.

The war, however, is not merely a European conflict. Every week that passes makes it increasingly clear that this is a world-wide struggle. No continent can be certain of remaining isolated for long. Africa is already embroiled. On the opposite side of the earth Australia is under no illusions as to what its fate would be if Britain were defeated. America cings anxiously to uncomfortable non-belligerency—all that is left of its outmoded isolationism. From the Atlantic to the Pacific the conviction is slowly spreading across the North American continent that this is a world war against evil forces that imperil all civilisation. Precisely because the United States does look westward to the Orient, as well as keeping watch on the Atlantic, it is perhaps more aware than preoccupied Europe that, in Asia too, the struggle in defence of democracy is under way. In fact, while Europe's conflict is only nearing the end of its first year, China's fight against aggression moves on into its fourth year.

The essential similarity, if not outright unity, between China's struggle in Asia, and Britain's in Europe, is fairly obvious. Yet it has not been much emphasised. At times, even, it is almost overlooked in more acute anxiety over the war in the West.

Nevertheless, China to-day is in the fullest sense democracy's other ally. Britain, its back to the wall before the threat of German invasion, is not fighting alone. China, too, is at war for freedom's sake. At bay for many months against the mechanised, better equipped, and better trained Japanese troops, China has fought on. Among those who have done most to forward an understanding of China's role in the defence of democratic civilisation, Dr. Quo Tai-chi ranks high. For the past

eight years, Dr. Quo Tai-chi has been Chinese Ambassador in London. American educated—he is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania—Dr. Quo is acknowledged to be China's leading diplomatist in Europe. He has twice been Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs and has held other important posts in the Chinese Government. More important still, perhaps, he is, to all who know him, a gracious living symbol of the truly democratic charm and deep culture that is China.

In an interview at the Chinese Embassy in London, Dr. Quo Tai-chi emphasised the underlying unity of the great democratic peoples, particularly Britain, China, and the United States. "Supported both economically and morally

By
Mallory Browne

by America, China in the East, and Great Britain in the West, are the two main outposts of freedom and democracy. Each is now being attacked within its citadel. Yet both are busy preparing to go forth at the right moment and carry the war into the enemy's camp. Both remain confident of survival, of ultimate victory and of worldwide reassertion."

But in this connection Dr. Quo referred to the increasing importance of the United States as "the world's arsenal," and mentioned the fact that the trade record for the first four months of this year of exports and imports between the United States and Japan showed a considerable increase as compared with that for the same period last year, and appealed to the American Government, and people, with their traditional friendship for China and their sense of fair play and justice, to stop further war supplies to an aggressor nation.

Listing the services which China is rendering to British—and therefore indirectly to American—democracy in this historic crisis, Dr. Quo Tai-chi put first the fact that China by her continued resistance "now holds Japan bogged down in the Far East so that she cannot so easily imitate Germany and Italy in their blackmuzzling adventures. She cannot now play both ends against the middle—as

she undoubtedly longs to do."

Admitting that this partial immobilisation of Japan is not unconnected with the fact that the United States has been keeping its fleet based at Hawaii, Dr. Quo nevertheless points out—that China's active resistance is at least as important a factor as American naval manœuvres.

"A second important Chinese contribution to the struggle against mechanised aggression," he said, "is that our successful resistance has proved it is possible to withstand and to defeat the robot forces of motorised military might when the correct strategy and tactics are utilised. Our policy has been to trade space for time. This policy has justified itself through more than three years of fighting. The fact that we are still fighting after three years, and fighting with good grounds for our hopes of victory, surely must mean much to-day to beleaguered Britain, not only idealistically but practically."

A third important contribution which China is making, Dr. Quo listed as "the development, generations sooner than would otherwise have been the case, of the great south-western and north-western provinces of China." This immense area in the heart of Asia constitutes "a self-contained empire in itself," he said. Here the world's three populations converge: India, China, Russia, with more than 1,000,000,000 people and with untold riches, under the earth, in the soil, and in the sturdiness and industry of the prolific peoples.

"We have only begun to realise the potentialities for peace in the future, like those for war in the present or future, that lie in this new Chinese hinterland that is to-day no longer a hinterland. In this inner empire," he said, "China is carrying out industrial and educational projects of vast proportions. Already the Chinese manufacture most of the small arms used by their armies, and even some of the heavier armament is now being produced locally. The industrial co-operative movement has advanced by leaps and bounds. Schools and universities have been opened and are being multiplied. The machinery of democratic government has not only been preserved, but, despite the stress of war, is actually being developed. Dr. Quo Tai-chi declared

Counting Chickens?

It is not wise, says the proverb, to count one's chicken's before they are hatched. I doubt whether this form of wisdom has ever been justified of her children. Back in the early nineties of last century the Professor of Philosophy at whose feet I sat in Berlin University used to explain, with many citations of Aristotle, that true happiness consists in activity of body or mind with some hope or prospect of success. It was not, he explained, the success that mattered; it was the activity which one felt to have a chance of succeeding.

On this principle quite a large number of my fellow countrymen must at this moment be feeling happy. Their thoughts and their pens are active in the hope, and with what they believe to be the prospect, of sketching out the main features of the better Britain, the better Europe and the better sort of world which we, our Allies and well-wishers must and shall fashion when we have won the war.

This fact, for fact it is, throws a revealing sidelight on our state of thought at a time when our whole country is an armed and fortified camp, and we are supposed to be awaiting obliteration at the hands of Adolf Hitler. Those who do not live among us may be pardoned for wondering whether we are not whistling to keep our courage up as they read or hear our asseverations that we

By Wickham Steed

are not afraid, and are ready for the worst Hitler can do. Yet the simple and unrecorded truth is that large numbers of our people feel sure enough of themselves, and of the triumph of our cause to spend hours and days and weeks in trying to work out a policy for all-round renovation when the war has been won.

There was nothing like this in the first two years of the last World War. Not until the end of 1916 did the Western Allies begin to put down on paper their "war aims," and then only at the request of President Woodrow Wilson. What they put down was by no means a world-shaking statement. Indeed, "war aims" only began to take definite and almost revolutionary shape after the same President Wilson had delivered his "Fourteen Points" address to Congress on January 8, 1918. That address shook the world, not so much because it was delivered by a President of the United States, as because it said, broadly, what the great majority of the Allied peoples were dimly feeling and thinking. It foreshadowed a better sort of world.

Imperial Germany rejected it offhand—but invoked it as the basis for an armistice nine months later when military defeat stared her in the face. So, a halting peace was presently made on the foundation of a hasty armistice. The trouble was that the Governments of the European Allies had not co-ordinated their policies with President Wilson's "principles," and that President Wilson had not thought out the practical applications of his "principles." Therefore, in course of time, the peace was lost.

This is where the activity of so many thoughts and pens among us comes in to-day. They take it for granted that we shall win the war—because we must. But they want to make sure that we shall also win the peace for others besides ourselves. Hitler, they see, has swept through a great part of Europe like a tornado. He is carrying out a bad revolution, a revolution of destruction and enslavement. We must carry through a good revolution, a revolution of constructive liberation. It must be at once political, economic, and social. It must rid the world of the nightmare of armed aggression. We must prepare for it, plan for it, now. Chickens are never hatched without warmth and air. If we give our ideal chickens warmth and air it may help them to break their eggshells at the right moment.

These are the thoughts that run through many minds in "beleaguered Britain." Before very long they may take concrete shape; and—who knows?—they may even help to win the war by offering other people hope and a pledge that peace, when it comes, will not again be lost.

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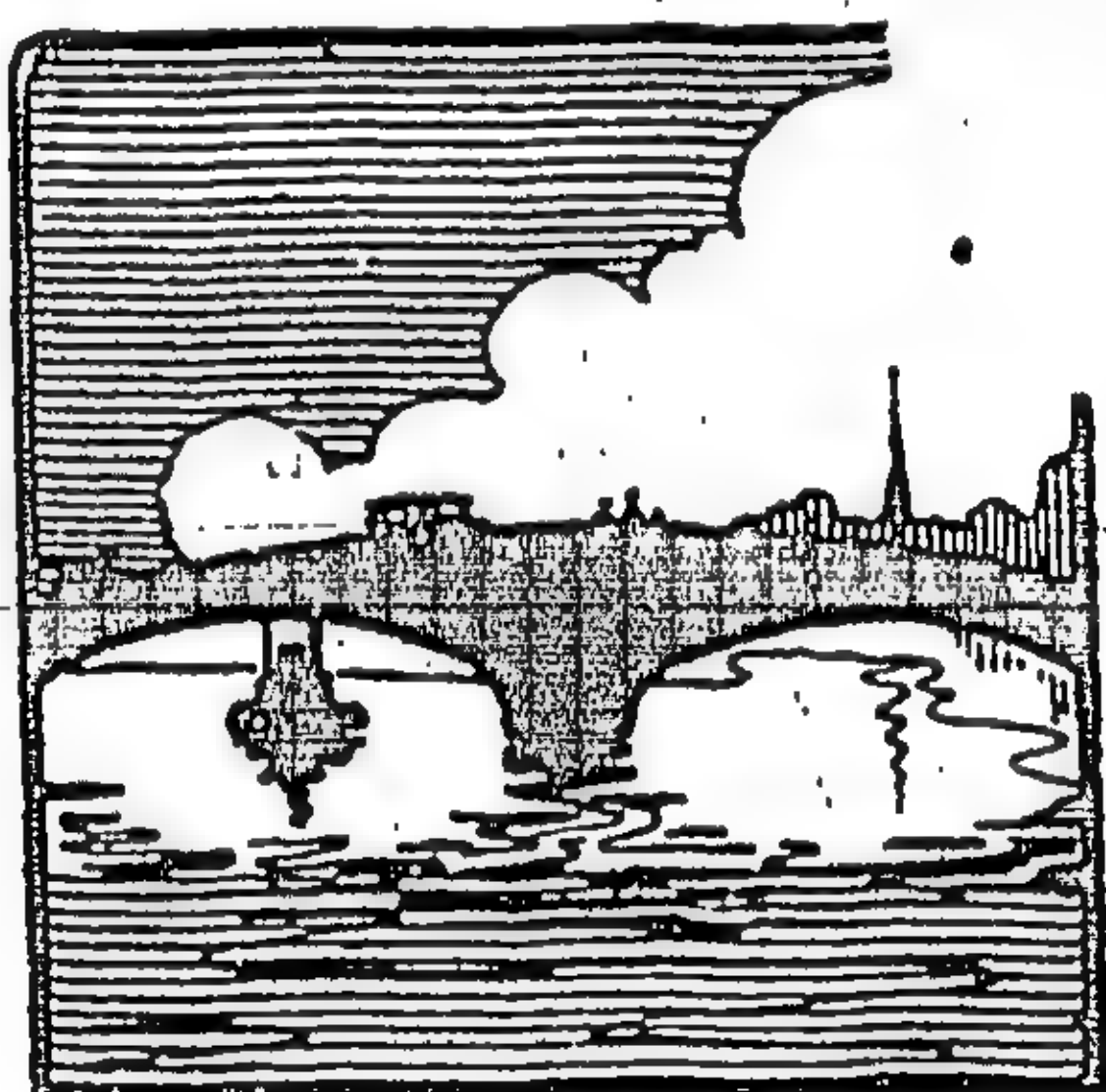
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SENSATIONAL RAID BY JAPANESE THIEVES IN SHANGHAI

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

ONE OF THE MOST daring and largest robberies in Shanghai history was carried out last night when seven armed bandits, both Chinese and Japanese, entered the palatial apartment of Capt. and Mrs. W. Tornroth, owners of the Sea Captain's Shop, and got away with between \$200,000 and \$600,000 worth of valuable jewellery.

The robbers entered the apartment when the owners and a visitor, Mrs. K. Harrison, were getting ready to go to a show.

COIN MACHINE FILMS

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ABERDEEN HARBOUR JUNK ROBBERY

Leung Kun, 35, master of junk No. 4344Y has reported to the Police that at about 3.30 a.m. today, three Chinese, two armed with revolvers, boarded his junk in Aberdeen harbour, and ransacked it. The robbers escaped with four pairs of gold bangles, valued at \$374.

CHOLERA CASE

One case of cholera from Victoria, two cases of typhoid, one of dysentery and 24 of tuberculosis occurred yesterday.

Before the victims could shout for help they were gagged and bound. Capt. Tornroth was tied to a chair and the two women tied back to back with clothing placed tightly over their mouths. While two men stood guard over Capt. Tornroth three others made their way to the adjoining shop to plunder the valuables.

Two men were stationed on the roof as guards. While his confederates looted the shop one bandit held a pistol to the captain's head demanding \$100,000 in cash and threatening to shoot when the captain denied having that much money in his home.

Mrs. Tornroth, attempting to reach the bell to call a servant, fell on the floor, pulling down Mrs. Harrison, and both women fainted. A servant, sensing something wrong when he found the door to his quarters locked, ran into the street calling for help.

Two Japanese

The robbers tied their bundles, valued at about \$600,000, and left by the front door. Mrs. Tornroth, obviously suffering from shock, identified two of the robbers as Japanese.

One of them ripped an American flag pin from Mrs. Harrison, expressing scorn for the flag. The bandits abandoned their tools which were taken to police headquarters. Capt. Tornroth expressed the belief that the robbery was an inside job as the men were able to get around in the darkness and found the light switch without difficulty. The Sea Captain's Shop, which is well known to thousands of tourists, was established in 1929. —Havas.

WELCOME BY C.J. TO NEW LEGISLATION

IN SENTENCING WONG HOY, A LIFE BANISHEE, FOR BREACH OF THE DEPORTATION ORDINANCE TO 15 MONTHS' HARD LABOUR, THE CHIEF JUSTICE SAID THAT THERE WAS NO REASON WHY ACCUSED SHOULD LIVE IN COMFORT AT THE EXPENSE OF THE TAXPAYERS AND HE HOPED THAT NEW LEGISLATION WOULD SOON BE IN FORCE TO KEEP SUCH PEOPLE OUT OF THE COLONY.

Accused had nine previous convictions.

Sul S'k-kong, who had 10 previous convictions, was also sentenced to 15 months' hard labour.

Li Sang was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour. He said that last time he was sent to Amoy, a long distance from Foochow. He asked that after his prison sentence he be sent to Foochow. Chung Sze, another life banishee, was also sentenced to 12 months' hard labour.

He said he returned because the Japanese had burnt his village. He was only passing through Hong Kong with the intention of going somewhere else.

Mr. R. H. Clark, of Tai Hang Road, has reported the theft of a rubber hose, valued at \$25, from his garden yesterday.

AXIS MOTIVE IN PACT WITH JAPAN

Speaking at Reno, Nevada, yesterday Senator Key Pittman said Hitler and Mussolini had brought Japan into the Axis not as an ally but to arouse fear of war in the United States and foster a campaign to keep American war-planes at home instead of allowing them to be delivered to Britain.—International News Service.

WATER POLICE INCIDENT

THE CASE IN WHICH TWO THAILAND CATTLE DROVERS, RIEM TSWANG, 25, AND NAGUAN CHANTAMA, 28, WERE CHARGED WITH ENTERING THE COLONY WITHOUT A VALID PASSPORT, AND WITH ESCAPING FROM LAWFUL CUSTODY, WAS CONCLUDED BEFORE MR. E. HIMSWORTH AT KOWLOON THIS MORNING.

Accused were fined \$10, or three weeks' hard labour, for escaping; and expelled for entering the Colony without a valid passport.

Riem was also fined \$10, or three weeks, for assaulting a seaman at the Water Police Station.

Inspector Johnson said accused arrived in the Colony on October 10 and were warned by Sergeant Manning not to land. They were, however, found ashore two days later.

At 8.40 a.m. on Sunday morning, while the cell was being cleaned by a coolie, accused were alleged to have attempted to escape after Riem had struck the seaman on duty.

Riem was caught by a Chinese detective in the compound, while Naguan was caught by Sub-Inspector Bradsell near the main-door of the station.

Riem alleged that a constable kicked him and that the seaman pulled his hair when he complained that he had had no food for two days in the cell.

SOLD SAND FOR RICE

One month's hard labour was imposed by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., on Cheung Hung, 23, for obtaining 30 cents by false pretences, and for breach of an Expulsion Ordinance.

Sergeant W. Watson told the Court that defendant sold a packet of rice to a Chinese woman in Spring Garden Lane for 30 cents. Later, the woman discovered that the packet contained sand with a layer of rice on the top.

Defendant was recommended for banishment.

WEATHER REPORT

The Royal Observatory reports that pressure is highest over the Pacific to the East of Hokkaido, and is relatively low over Mongolia and in a trough extending from Indo-China to the Mariana Islands.



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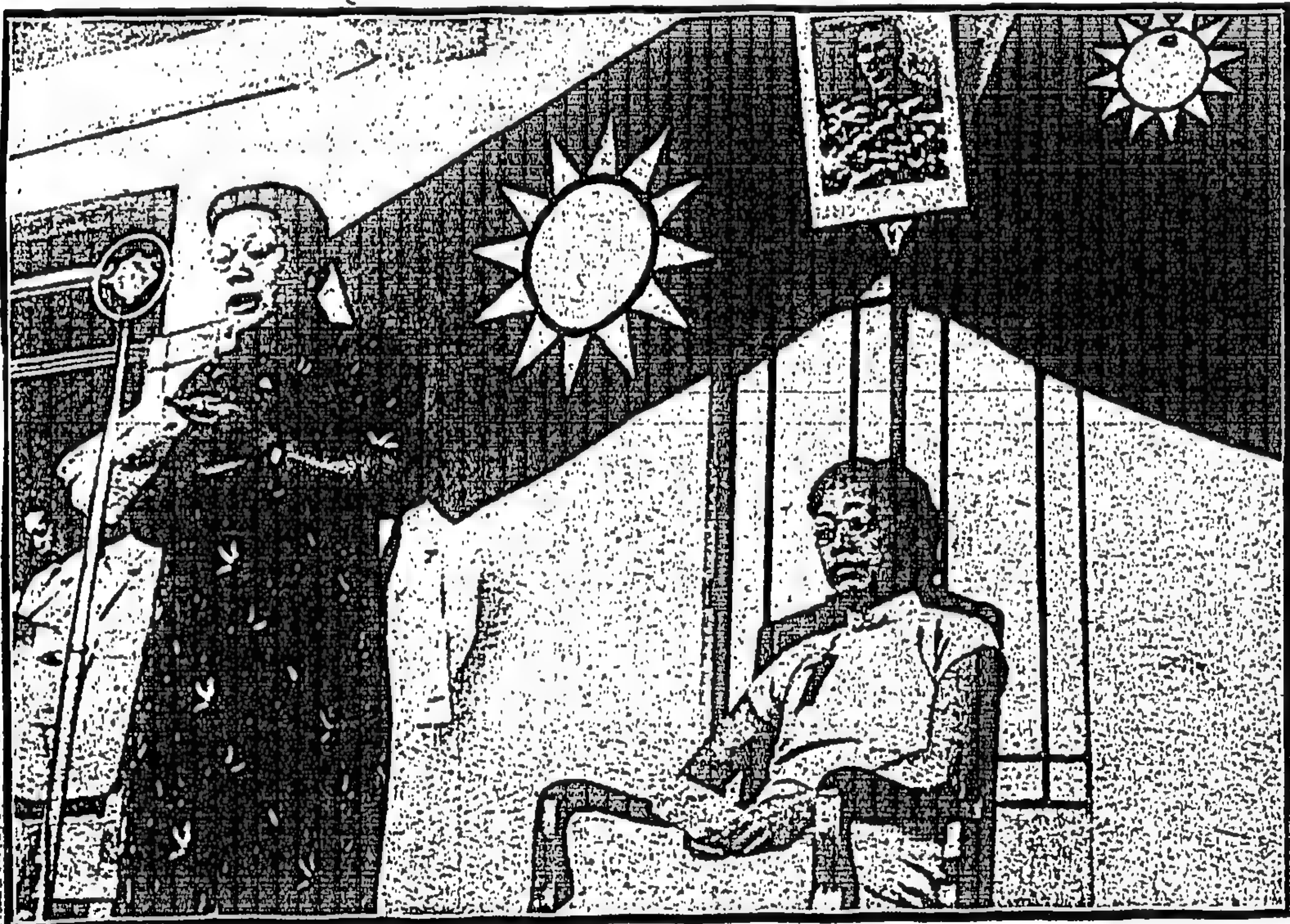
Dinner Party For Acting Governor



A Chinese dinner party was given, for the first time since His Excellency's arrival in the Colony, to the Acting Governor by four prominent representatives of the Chinese community at the residence of Sir Robert Kotewall. Among guests in the picture are Mr. M. K. Lo, Rear-Admiral Peters, Mr. Eu Ton-sen, Captain Batty-Smith, Li Koon-chun, Mr. R. A. C. North and Mr. W. N. T. Tam. (Kahn).



Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. L. Wong photographed after their wedding. The bride was formerly Miss Anna Chu. (King's Studio).



Miss Katie Woo giving her address at the Double Tenth flag raising ceremony at the South China Athletic Association ground.



A general view of the impressive Double Tenth ceremonies held at Caroline Hill by the Chinese Women's Relief Association.

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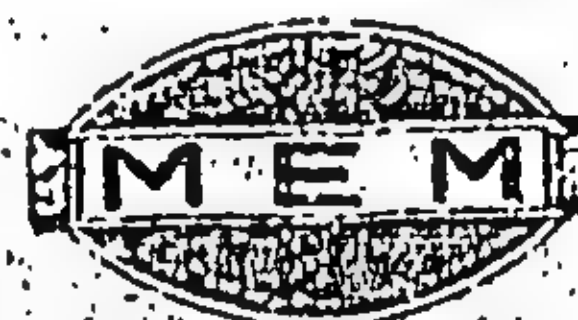
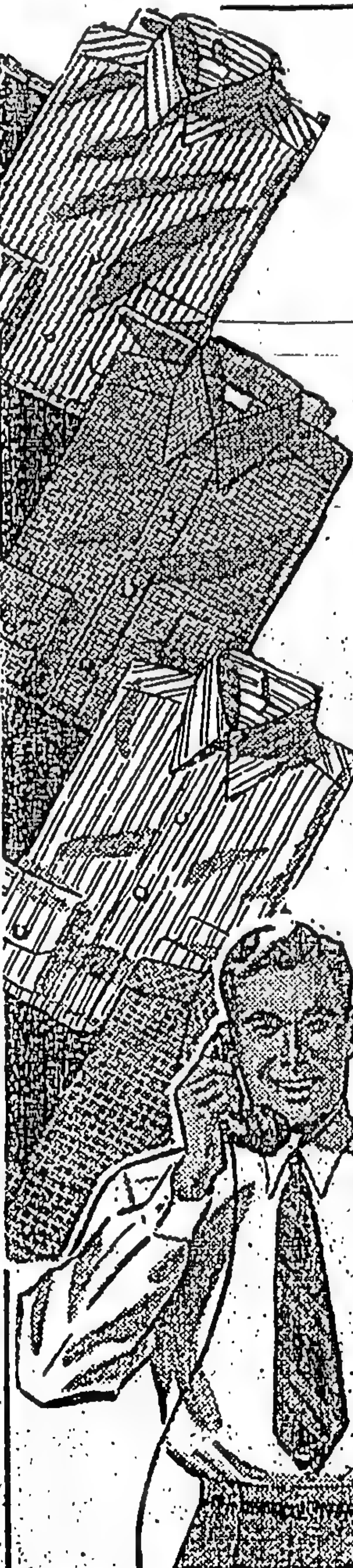
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SHORT STORY

The Condors' Revenge

By V.G. CALDERON

I've never awakened an Indian by kicking him, though Captain Gonzalez, who had such a pretty, gold-handled whip, loaded with six inches of lead, once tried to teach me how to do it.

"Good-for-nothing!" roared the captain, twirling his Don Juan's moustache. "All these rogues are alike. I ordered him to saddle up at five in the morning, and there he is sleeping like a hog at seven—I've got to be at Huaraz in two days."

The Indian was sleeping in the open air fully dressed, his head pillowed on an old saddle. At the first kick he stretched and got to his feet. I've never been able to make out whether the punishment produced anger or respect.

As he was rather slow in walking to his round of daily miseries, the soldier lashed him across the forehead. The Indian stood trembling, blood running off his face like tears! I was trembling myself, for I still had the sentimental prejudices of a theorist. I forcibly restrained the violent captain and so avoided further bloodshed.

"Idle good-for-nothing," repeated the tormentor. Then, turning his hard eyes towards me—"That's the way to treat these barbarians. You don't know them, doctor."

Captain Gonzalez had conferred a university degree on me as soon as he saw my shining boots. My new cloak, unstained by the weather, and my guileless townsman's charity. Last night, after winning four Peruvian pounds from me at checkers in the mean little harbour inn, he adopted me, with a paternal smile, saying, "Let's travel to Huaraz together, dear doctor. We'll have some fine fun with my lot of an Indian, he's

got a girl friend in every cottage. He served under me last year, and now the Prefect, who's a friend of mine, has sent him to me as an orderly. He's scared to death of my little whip!"

For some time I examined admiringly the skilfully woven rattans of the "little whip," whose lash gradually narrowed, to end in a ball of lead—irresistible, no doubt, when applied to the backs of animals or Indians.

The martial voice rang once more through the court-yard of the inn:—

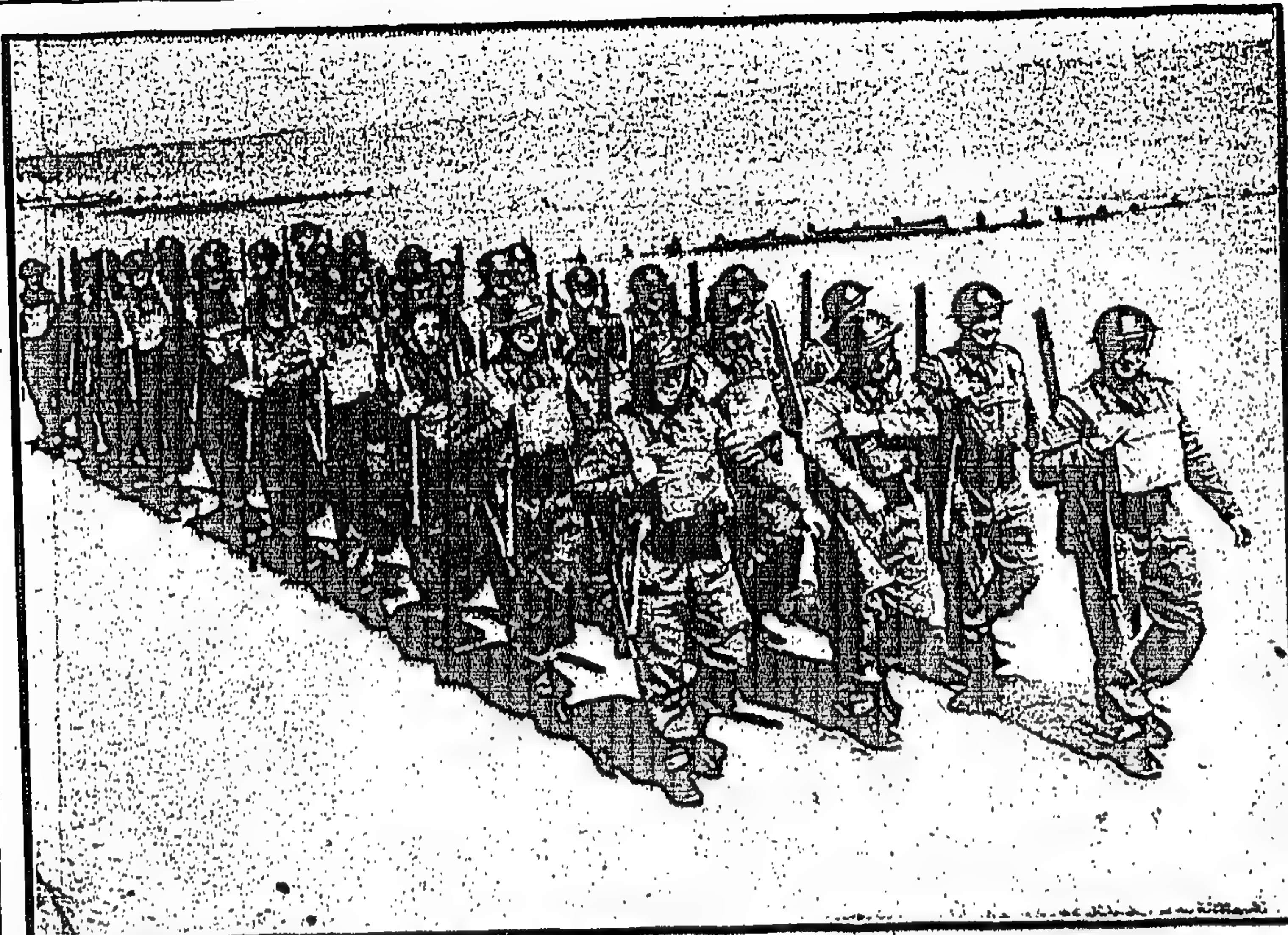
"And the black fur cloak, you dog? You'll catch it if you don't hurry!"

"I'm fetching it now, mister." And the Indian plunged into the stable in search of the fur cloak. Ten, twenty, thirty minutes, which provoked in orchestral crescendo an explosion of the most varied invective.

Native interjections jostled God and Virgin on the lips of the captain as in the rites of the mountain witches. But the orderly, that most admirable guide, could not be found anywhere in the port, and so Captain Gonzalez set out alone promising him more disastrous punishments in the future.

"Don't go with the captain, he's a barbarian," advised the innkeeper, and so I delayed my departure on the ground that I had to make some purchases. Two hours later, while I was saddling my fine trotting mule, a tousie-headed man in a dusty sheepskin cape came up to me and murmured: "Shall I come with you, mister?"

Should he come! It was the lost Indian. For an hour I also had been looking for a guide who



Men of the Royal Scots Fusiliers marching on a beach of the East Coast where they are undergoing training. (Copyright, Fox).

could lead me over the bad passes of the Sierra, and mend the narrow road between the rocks and the abyss, which the rains or a single fall of stones can destroy in a matter of seconds.

I agreed without fixing any price, and the man explained in his broken speech that I should meet him at the gates of the village.

I had stopped at a cottage to ask for a cup of that horatian maize liquor which has such a cheering effect, when I saw him ride up. His jennet, though lame seemed more spirited than my mule.

The guide led off without more ado. We went by short cuts and difficult passes. When the sun began to roast us he produced a bowl of cooling "chicha" and some puffed maize, soft and woolly.

I must say I enjoyed a much softer bed that night than I should have been able to make for myself out of capes, ponchos and the saddle, at a wayside inn.

The next day was more eventful. Though servile and humble as ever, my companion stopped unnecessarily often at the cottage doors along the road as though asking for news, in soft Quechua speech.

The Indian women who passed me the gourd of "chicha" looked attentively at me, and I thought I could detect an unexpected friendliness in their eyes, though one never knows for certain what these poor slaves are thinking. Two or three times the guide broke the silence to tell me, in his childish language, the sort of stories which would make a traveller's flesh creep.

Simple stories of travellers rolling down the precipice because a rock had suddenly slipped from the Andean mountainside, and carried them with it to the bottom of the gorge, where their bones lie washed in the foaming river.

Against my will I began to be impressed. In the evening the Andes are like great grey toms, and I shuddered in the mist that rises like a visible melancholy from the blue table-lands to the snow-capped peaks. The road, nicked out of the rock above the perilous gorge, seemed to lead us, as in some ancient sacred allegory, towards a sinister goal.

But the same Indian who had trembled beneath the whip was now a fearless acrobat, availing easily out of his saddle to take the bridle of his frightened, shivering mule, which slithered on the loose stones and gazed fascinated into the abyss.

An hour of this sort of progress set my nerves on edge, and the very whistling of the wind among the rocks made me feel giddy. The condors, familiar spirits of the high peaks, now passed so near that their wings fanned my face and I could see the glaze of their eyes.

We had reached a narrow defile, from which I could catch a glimpse of the yellowish cactus-covered tableland, breaking the drab monotony of the mountain range. The guide suddenly muttered, "You wait here, mister." In an instant he was gone.

I waited for him in vain, my heart sinking, my fingers on the butt of my revolver. I cried encouragement to my wavering mule, who, with ears twitching like weathercocks in the wind, measured the danger and listened for death. A deep sound vibrated on the mountain, in the heights something had begun to roll.

Suddenly, fifty yards from me, a flock of condors slanted downwards. And then, quite distinctly, for I had reached a bend in the road, I saw a dark mass get clattering and bounding in a cloud of dust down the neighbouring mountain side. A man? A horse? Perhaps a man and a horse, splashing the sharp rocks with their blood and finally staining the foaming river far below.

Shaking with horror, I waited while the mountains threw back and forth the echo of that mortal cataract. A cone of drab wings swirled like a whirlpool above the bodies.

Sliding forward with the furtive step of a viscacha, the jennet appeared, bearing my guide, who, taking my mule by the bridle, murmured in a sorrowful voice, like a sigh, "That was the captain, mister."

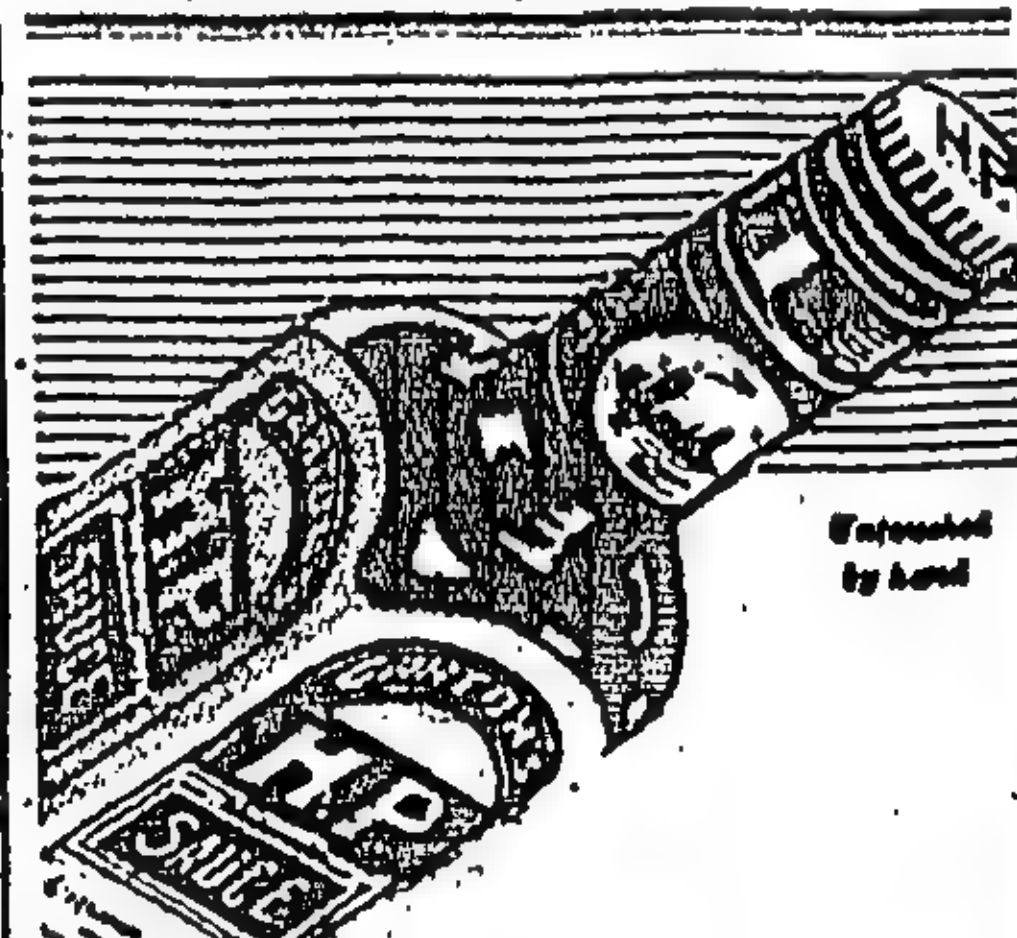
"The Captain?" My eyes opened wide with astonishment. The Indian threw me an inscrutable look and explained, in reply to my flood of questions, that "sometimes, mister, as a traveller stands on the edge of the precipice, the insolent condors graze his shoulder with their wings, he loses his balance and topples into the chasm; that's what happened to Captain Gonzalez, poor chap."

Removing his wide felt hat, he crossed himself to prove to me that he was speaking the truth. With the gesture of a conjurer he pointed to the great whirling birds already devouring their prey.

I asked no more questions, for there are secrets in my country which the Indians cannot explain to white men. Perhaps there is a dark pact between them and the condors to be revenged on us for our intrusion. But I learned from this incomparable guide who left me at the gate of Huaraz, having kissed my hand and refused all payment, that it is sometimes imprudent to affront with a pretty whip the resignation of a conquered people.

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What The British Blockade Means

"IN a total war the economic blockade must be considered as the principal weapon." That proposition will be found in a book published in German by Stefan Th. Possony, an authority in matters of strategy and an economist of considerable reputation. The book deals with "the economy of total war," and the passage quoted above gives a clear idea of German thought on the subject of blockade. As for "total" war, it was the German general, Ludendorff, who in a now famous work was the most fanatical exponent of the conception of a war which should demand the employment of the maximum resources of a country, at the highest degree of intensity and with utter ruthlessness, in order to achieve a lightning victory.

It is precisely this two-edged process which the rulers of the Reich are putting into practice in the present conflict. On land the Germans have followed the ideas outlined in Possony's book—"the land offensive must be powerfully supported by an army of tanks and aeroplanes."

But what is the economic situation which this German military process creates? It must be borne in mind that mechanised warfare is not only one of destruction, but that it has brought in its wake the enslavement to Germany of many nations on the continent of Europe. That being so, it is clear that however great may be the booty which is robbed from the peoples conquered by Germany, the economic result is nothing short of disastrous for the Reich itself.

German Debility

By reducing twentieth century warfare to the level of barbarian devastations, the new German system of war results in a terrible reduction of the economic wealth of the conquered nations, without conferring any real compensating

benefit, however, on German economy. The German people is no better off. On the contrary: by the impoverishment of all the vital forces of the conquered nations, the position of the German people is that of a military conqueror economically vanquished.

The economy of the German people has for long been in a state of extreme debility. The new German conquests will make its inferior standard of living permanent, for there will have to be further sacrifices in addition to those which the German people was called upon to make in order to

By
Robert Mackay

feed the German war machine. Besides, the economic welfare of a people depends on the welfare of other peoples.

On land therefore the policy of the Reich has achieved one result only: it has terribly reduced the economic potential of other peoples and thereby of its own. At sea, the consequences of German policy have been even more disastrous for the economy of the Reich. It is no doubt in order to hide that fact that German propaganda has given out recently this claim—as the Reich has conquered all the Western seaboard of Europe, from the Pyrenees to the north, the blockade of the Reich is without effect. But the truth is very different, and the facts themselves supply the best dementi of the German claim.

Resources Of Terrorism

It must not be forgotten that it was the Reich itself which, from the outset of war, tried to impose a blockade against England, without however disposing of any legitimate means to make it effective. To make up for that deficiency,

all the resources of terrorism were called in. Merchant ships were sunk without warning. Passenger liners were torpedoed and the defenceless crews of lightships were machine-gunned. All this was done without distinction of flag and without any respect for the neutrality of any nation.

Any ship that came near the coasts of the British Isles risked being sunk by German magnetic mines, by submarine and by aircraft. That was what the rulers of the Reich called a sea blockade! But the German attempt to isolate Great Britain from the world failed. British naval forces found appropriate means of defence against such acts of terrorism by sea, and the sea-borne commerce of all nations with Great Britain continued.

For nearly a century international usage has recognised the following principle as universal: a sea blockade to be binding must be made effective by any nation applying it. Germany could not and cannot fulfil that indispensable condition. On the contrary, she is faced by a naval force which can, in fact, impose such a blockade—the British Navy. The fact that Germany claims to dispose of certain Atlantic ports does nothing to modify that situation. Germany may claim to dispose of the ports. The fact is that she cannot use them. It is the British Navy which debars her from using them, and all the propaganda in the world cannot alter that simple fact.

Efficacy Counts

The fact that the region subjected to blockade is an extensive one does not in any way affect the principle of blockade. What counts is the efficacy of the blockade. Moreover, it is evident that, even before the era of Trafalgar, a sea blockade did not consist merely in drawing a cordon of warships round a port. In addition, the stupendous progress of maritime inventions has prodigiously enlarged the radius of action of sea power. On one condition, how-



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ever. The blockading power must effectively command the sea. The British Navy fulfils that condition. It is for that reason that to-day the British Navy is in a position to establish a long-distance blockade—a blockade not of harbours, but of ocean routes.

The Reich aspires to conquer the sea by land—a curious inversion of the historic process of conquests! But the attempt is a vain one. This modern German version of Napoleon's continental system, which incidentally failed miserably, has had but one result: it has made it much more difficult for Germany to obtain the products she requires from overseas countries. By her own action and through the enslavement of so many nations in Europe, Germany has closed all the doors which stood ajar and through which some contraband goods still managed to pass.

Navicert System

In the light of the above facts the reason for certain measures

which the British Government has adopted become quite clear. From now onwards, all ships, as well as cargoes, consigned to ports in Europe, to certain islands of the Atlantic and to certain neutral ports in North Africa, will have to be provided with navicerts issued by British authorities. That is a practical means of enforcing the control already exercised by the British Navy. The sea blockade of Germany will be a hundred per cent. blockade. But due consideration will be given to the requirements of neutrals. Indeed, the new system will be found to facilitate legitimate trading.

The new measures, by strengthening the blockade, render the economic blockade of Germany still more efficient. But they do more. They help to shorten the war by depriving Germany and Italy of many of the elements they require in order to give effect to their policy of conquest. Thus the sea blockade imposed by Great Britain serves the cause of humanity by serving the cause of peace.

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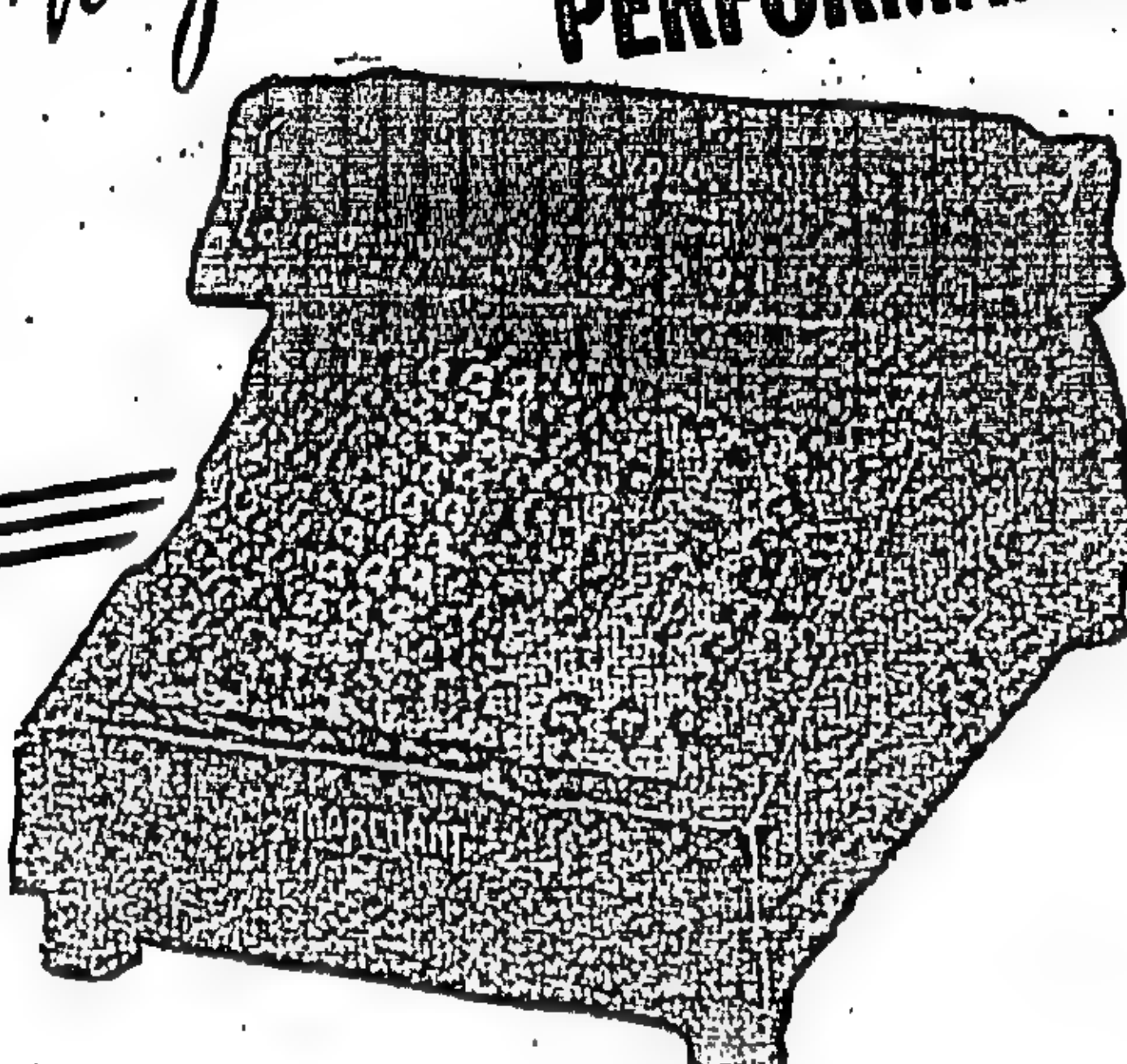
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The following report was written by a pilot whose story is unique in the service. He is a flight-lieutenant, born in the United States, who has already shot down eight enemy aircraft and crippled three or four more. He took a short service commission in the Royal Air Force in 1936 and was posted to a fighter squadron. He writes:—

"I got my first German last November. It was the first enemy aircraft to be shot down in the Straits of Dover in this war. I was on patrol between Deal and Calais, leading a section of three Hurricanes from my squadron, when we spotted, at 12,000ft., a Dornier 17 Flying Pencil.

"He was about 2,000ft. below us and as we hadn't seen a German machine up to then, we went down carefully to make sure. We soon recognised him as an enemy, and as I turned to attack, he tried to attack me.

"My Hurricane very quickly outmanoeuvred him. I got on his tail and gave him three sharp bursts of fire. Another member of the section got in three bursts also, as he dived towards the clouds.

"The last I saw of him was just above sea-level. He had turned on his back and a moment later crashed into the sea.

"When we go back to the mess, we were handed a parcel. It contained a bottle of champagne—with the compliments of the Station Commander! You see, it was our first fight—and we'd won! In those days, one German aircraft was something to celebrate."

The Real War Starts

"We went over to France on May 10, when Hitler invaded the Low Countries. We went up that same afternoon. That time we

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didn't see anything, but the next day, we really started.

"We carried out three patrols east of Brussels, and on the third patrol we saw three Heinkel III's. We shot down one and badly damaged the other two. The day after that, we got two Heinkel III's, one of which was credited to me. I shot mine down from 12,000ft.

"All the same, those early skirmishes were child's play to what was to come later. On May 14, after we had escorted a number of Blenheim bombers into enemy territory, we were on our way back when we saw three Dornier 17 Flying Pencils.

"It was a trap, for when we gave chase to the Dorniers, we

suddenly found ourselves in the middle of between 50 and 60 Messerschmidt 109's and 110's.

"I was leading the flight that day, and when I realised how hopelessly outnumbered we were, I gave orders to the boys to sort out their own targets and not to keep formation.

"A Good Day"

"We broke up and began to set about the Messerschmidts. I got a Messerschmidt 110, and other members of the flight got four more. On the way back to our base, I saw two Henschel 128's, one of which I shot down. I damaged the other with the rest of my ammunition.

"It was a good day. We routed an overwhelming number of enemy fighters, beat up two of their army reconnaissance aircraft, and we all got home safely! Our bag on that day was six. There were six of us, so we averaged one each.

"There were several other days when we ran into heavy odds of enemy fighters. It is really amazing, looking back, that we should have had the success we had. But it certainly was a success each day.

"We never ran into the Germans without shooting some down.

"When we were patrolling Dunkirk, for instance, giving protection day after day to the B.E.F., we always got a few. I remember once, when we found ourselves in the thick of 8 squadrons of Messerschmidt 109's and 110's, we saw an unusual type of enemy fighter. They were the new Heinkel 113's. Naturally we couldn't resist the opportunity. We got one of each type of enemy fighter, and three or four 'probables'.

"I was attacking a Messerschmidt 110 when I suddenly realised that there were six Heinkel 113's on my tail. I made a very quick turn to get away from them and then shot down the Heinkel 113 on the extreme left of that particular formation.

"That was in the afternoon! We had had an 'appetiser' before lunch when we met 20 Heinkel 111 Bombers. I got one. He went down in flames. And others of the squadron got their share.

The Smoke of Dunkirk—New Zealanders Over The Ruhr

"The smoke from innumerable fires in Dunkirk and other French coast towns was terrific about that time. A fellow pilot described it as being like a gigantic piece of dirty cotton wool lying right across the sea shore, following the coast down the Channel as far as he could see, even from two or three miles up. There were times when we found that same smoke of great assistance in outwitting enemy fighters.

"One of our squadron, for instance, used up all his ammunition in shooting down two Messerschmidt 110's one day and found himself being chased by two more.

"Without ammunition he could do nothing, so he dived into the smoke over Dunkirk. He emerged above the smoke a few miles away and there the Messerschmidts were still waiting for him.

"They simply stuck above the smoke waiting for him to emerge, a victim for their guns. But he outwitted them by diving back into the smoke and was able to slip away home, only to be off again into battle the same evening.

"We were stationed in France eleven days. I remember that when we went away the roses were in bud; and when we came back they were in full bloom. In between, we'd had eleven glorious days of action."

An Exciting Episode

Here is the story of an exciting episode in the work of an R.A.F. bombing plane, told by the pilot:

"I was leading a bombing raid on strong enemy columns. After the task had been completed, my aircraft was attacked by seven Messerschmidt 109's. In the course of the pursuit the rear gunner of our bomber shot down one Messerschmidt in flames and disabled another.

"After that I found cover in a cloud. On emerging from it, however, our bomber was again



Chan Chun-wan (centre) who won the Chinese cross-hair-bow race at North Point. On the winner's left is Yan Sal-kwan, the runner-up and on his right is Fung Chiu-cheong, who came third.

attacked by a stray Messerschmidt 110, from a range of only 50 yards. The attack was at once returned and, once more, the air-gunner saw his opponent burst into flames and dive headlong to the ground.

"During the duel, the German pilot had scored a number of hits which set the port petrol tank on fire. It was obvious that the bomber would soon be ablaze; so I gave the order to abandon aircraft. The observer jumped and made a safe landing. I then stood on the wing and was just about to jump when I saw that the rear-gunner was still inside the machine.

"I realised that he was wounded and saw that his parachute harness had become entangled with his gun. I got back into his cockpit, regained control of the aircraft and brought it safely to earth in flames. I then helped the gunner out of the machine, and within a few minutes of our getting clear the aircraft blew up."

The Smoke of Dunkirk—New Zealanders Over The Ruhr

The following account of a visit to a Bomber Squadron was written by an officer of the R.A.F.V.R. from New Zealand.

"The grass, the oaks and the garden before the Officers' Mess were essentially English. The Station Commander was a mighty man with a voice which launched a battleship with every breath. He also was English. He stamped out a cigarette, leaned back in his chair and said, 'If you'll walk in under that arch, you'll find the New Zealand squadron. They're a fine lot of chaps. Damned good navigators. Good afternoon!'

"So I walked over the hot asphalt path and I found the Wing Commander, rotund, definite, but kind, born in Southern Canterbury. From that moment, we forgot England and talked of New Zealand. A pilot joined us from Otago. Then one from Stratford, who made a flight lasting no less than fourteen and a half hours over Norway, a few weeks ago.

"For one night I was to stay with the bomber squadron which was originally formed to fly out to New Zealand. But when war was declared, these New Zealanders stayed in Britain.

"They have already made history, over the North Sea and over enemy territory. No less than 114 sorties over Norway, Denmark, Germany, Holland, Belgium and France; nine amazing months during which they have given bitter punishment to the enemy with the loss of only one machine.

"For my visit I had chosen the night of a raid over the Ruhr. As darkness came, eighteen bombers were silhouetted against the moonlit sky. Dark and billowing, they waited. Then the pilot from Stratford, the cheerful one from Otago and one who had signed with the memory of summer holidays on New Zealand beaches, eighteen of them jumped into lorries and, from my corner beside the hangar, I saw the bombers rise in groups of three,

With a full moon silvering the tips of their wings, they disappeared towards the coast, towards the channel, over the country of the enemy to the Ruhr.

"It was a cold and lonely wait. The night passed. I knew, as I stood there, that they were dropping their bombs on the petrol dumps and the railway junctions of the Ruhr. The trees rustled in the wind. The immense buildings of the air force station seemed to grow bigger still, in the darkness. I heard a sentry's challenge and the clanging of a vast metal door.

"As morning was born over the horizon, the first bombers came back. They seemed to soar down to the landing ground. Three of them."

"The pilot from Otago came along. He had done his job. 'It was a piece of cake,' he said. He passed in to drink a cup of coffee. There was no fuss; no intensity.

"The lights of three more appeared! They landed. An air-gunner from Napier jumped out of one of them. It was his first flight over enemy territory. He said, quite calmly, 'I expected to see more than I did.'

"Three more, and then three more. And then seven, leaving only one to come. A pilot came over to me and offered me a cigarette. He said, 'It was a wizard. Not a cloud! You could count the trees... the sort of night love was born! Somebody near by said 'Oh Yeah'. He also passed on for his coffee.

"And then, just as we searched the sky, begging the night to yield up the last of the valiant company, the lights of the last bomber appeared. And while the petrol dumps and the marshalling yards of the Ruhr smouldered in the morning light, the Wing Commander from Southern Canterbury was able to write in his log book, 'All our aircraft returned safely!'

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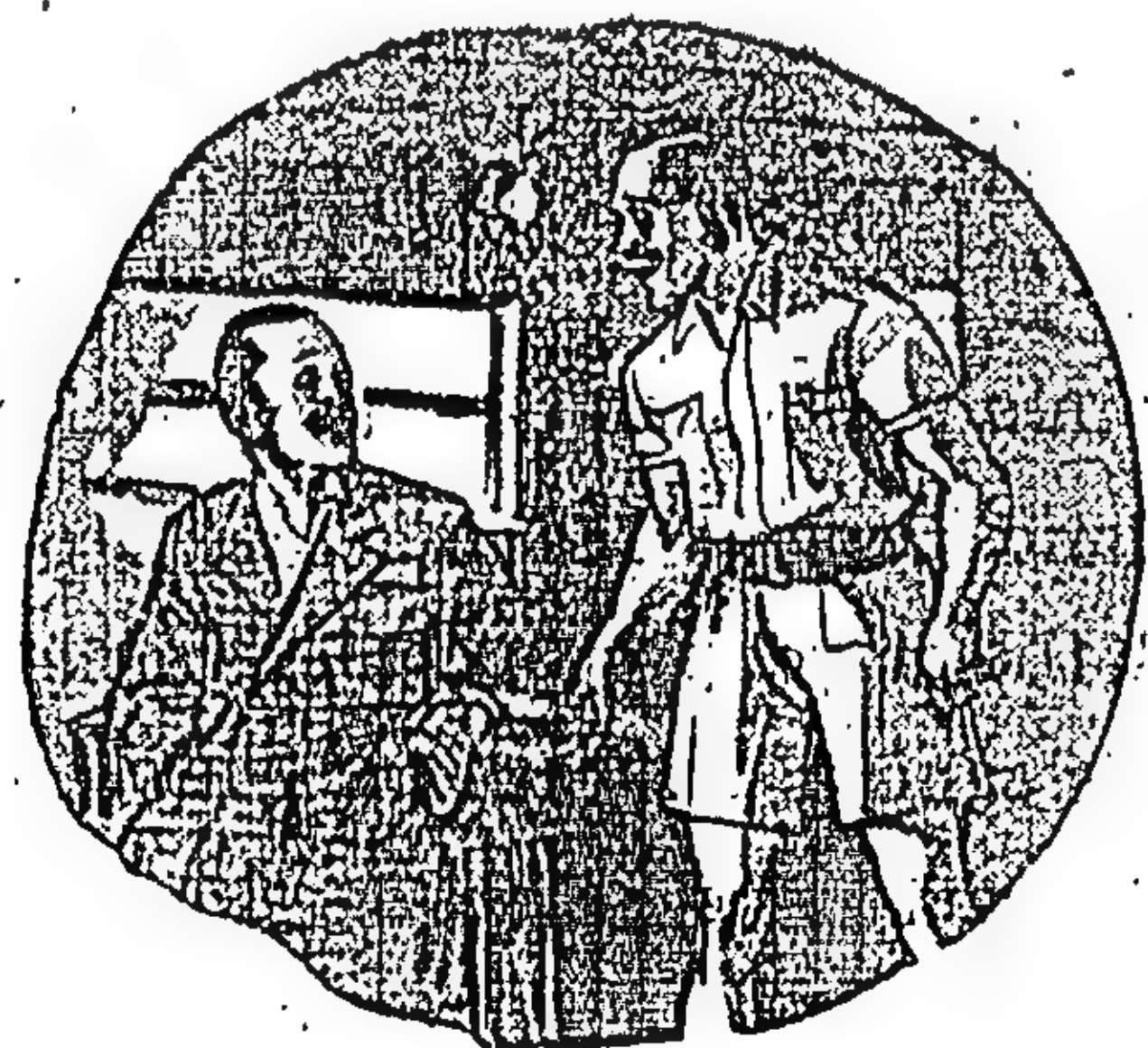
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"The early woodcutter gets the first tree, you know. Besides—it's an ugly tree. There is something offensive about that tree. Come to think of it, it rather reminds me of you, Bertie."

"Well—I must confess I didn't expect to see you chopping trees this morning and smoking a

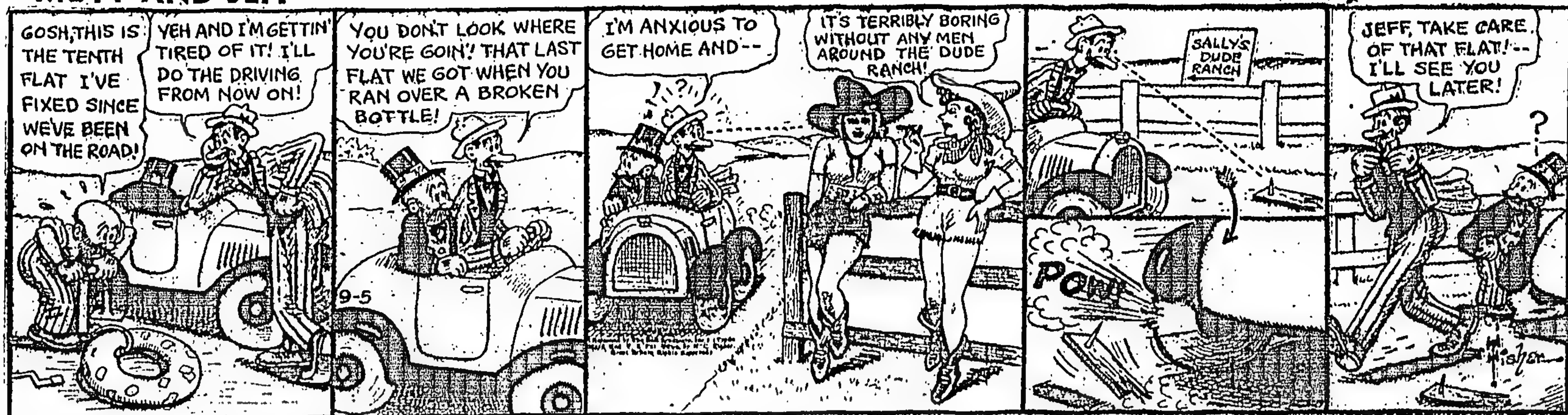
whacking big black cheroot. Not after last night..."

"I don't like the way you say 'not after last night.' I detect a certain envy in the tone—a certain undercurrent of bitterness. You ought to be overjoyed to see me absolutely bristling with joy-de-vivre."

"I merely marvel at your powers of recovery."

"You needn't, Bertie. It's all due to Ross's Lime Juice, you know. Prevents mornings after the night before. Just the thing before you go to bed. And now, Bertie, with your permission I'll step out and deal our unsuspecting arboreal friend a couple of shrewd cracks with my little axe."

MUTT AND JEFF



By BUD FISHER

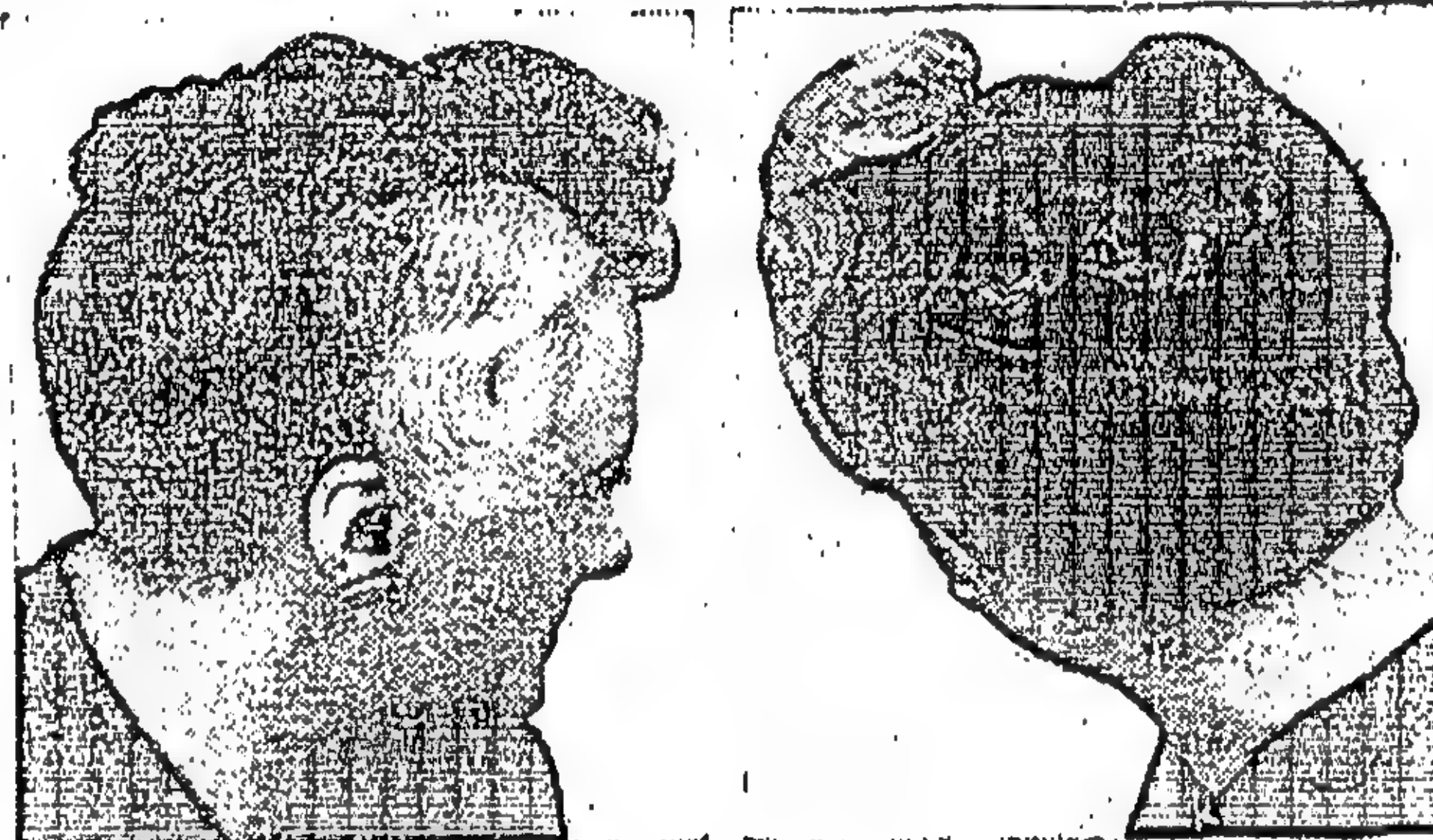
A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Pepper-and-Salt Hair May Be Smartly Dressed

"EVERY woman near forty should show her ear-tips," are the words of Helen Cookman, a prominent New York designer of chic clothes for the middle-aged woman. She believes that a youthful, dignified effect is thus acquired which helps to carry off nicely styled clothes.

A leading hair stylist agrees with her, and further states that the up-swept coiffure, now so much in vogue, is particularly becoming to the woman of that age group.

Many women regret the salt-and-pepper stage of graying hair. They let it get them down. They shouldn't. They cease to take interest in the care of their hair or its styling. Which is a grave mistake.



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Nature fades our hair to harmonise with our fading skin. You have seen a fading face beneath a mass of dyed hair and it has given you a jolt! If the experiences of life have taken a forfeit in the pigment of our skin and hair, let's accept it gracefully. You have the choice of giving your skin great care and keeping it youthfully lovely in texture, and having your hair expertly tinted so it will not look dyed, or, of letting your hair remain its natural shade and caring for it as diligently as you do your skin. You are not old, just because your hair has begun to fade. But you will look old unless you keep both your complexion and hair beautifully groomed, and your eyes young!

Care For It Intelligently

Graying hair is quite likely to be dry. Therefore hot oil shampoos are in order, and scalp massage with finger tips. Daily brushings with a good, clean brush, works marvels and if you will seek a good hairdresser and put your head in his or her hands for styling, you will have a head of

which you may well be proud.

What Not To Do

If you are past thirty don't think you can get away with a debutante bob, or having your hair curled coyly about your face. Your hair, to be smart and to be flattering, should be brushed away from your face on each side, and in back it should not be lower than an inch below your nature hairline, or it should be brushed up high. Coy bows or other juvenile decorations, are not for you, and if you do condone them you are only drawing attention to your gaining years.

There are so many sleek, beautiful, becoming hair-dos for young and old women in the age group from thirty-five to fifty-five that there is no reason for these women to cling to current, juvenile hair styles. On the other hand, these women should not be content with an old-maid style or a dowager's hair-do of an era past. If hair is kept in good condition and is expertly waved you have the choice of extremely smart combings, and if you do not like one, try another.

Ten Brushes For Beauty!

A Meticulous beauty of this era relies upon ten brushes to keep her beauty alluring.

A chic woman considers her lip brush the most indispensable beauty aid. She dips it into a lip rouge and outlines the desired lip shape, fills in the outline with matching lipstick, and then deftly blends all with her brush.

Shining tresses with a halo glow are compensation for the hundred strokes a day! Always brush up from the scalp to the very end of the hair, to send nourishing blood rushing to feed the roots. If your wrist tires easily, bend over so your hair falls over the crown and your strokes may be downward instead of upward.

The intricate art of eye make-up requires three small brushes. One for brow grooming after the brow pencil has been applied, a smaller one for lash colouring, and a third to be dipped into warm castor oil at night to promote the growth of lashes and brows. No screen or stage beauty is without

these three.

Complexion beauty depends greatly upon skin cleanliness and nothing can equal the aid of a soft-bristle complexion brush wielded with suds of bland soaps, twice weekly.

If you desire a beautiful back, free of minor blemishes you simply must use a long-handled back brush when you bathe. Here again suds of a bland soap, briskly brushed over the back area will banish minor pore blemishes and keep the skin functioning as it should. It makes you feel good, too!

If you envy that smooth translucent complexion some women seem to possess, learn how to powder correctly. Powder should be placed on the skin with clean absorbent cotton, thickly, and then brushed off with a long, narrow powder brush until only a film of powder remains. If your foundation cream and powder match in shade, your skin will appear to have the most exquisite of textures.

We shouldn't have to remind you of the last two—a tooth brush and a nail brush. Both are daily necessities.

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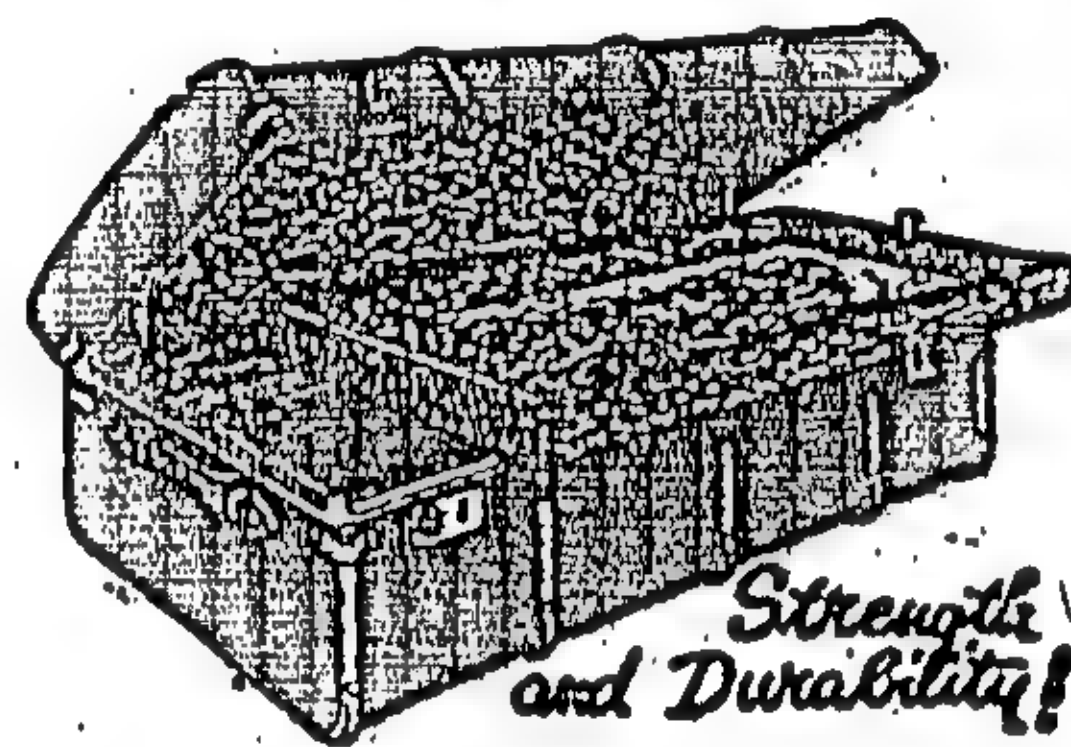
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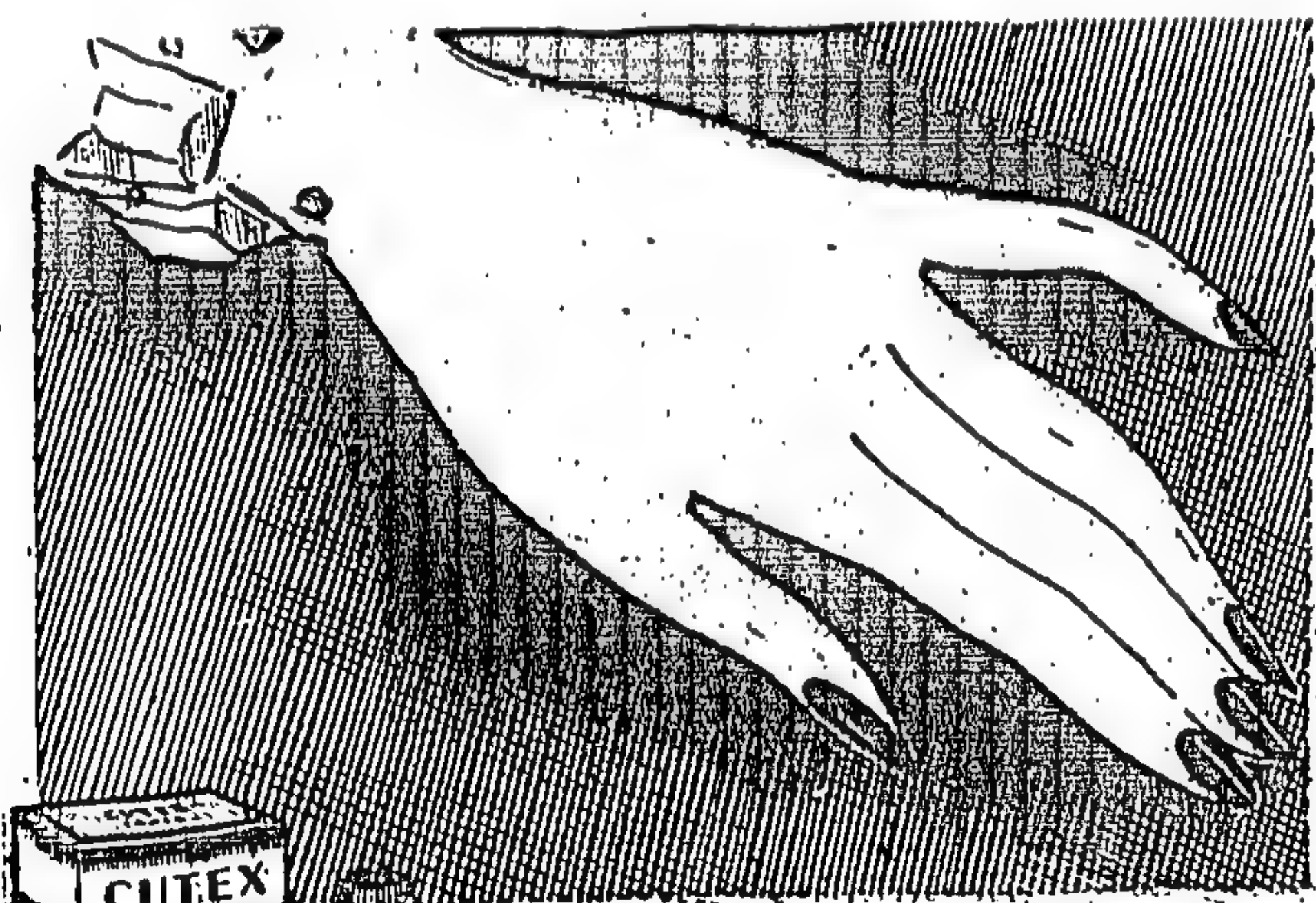
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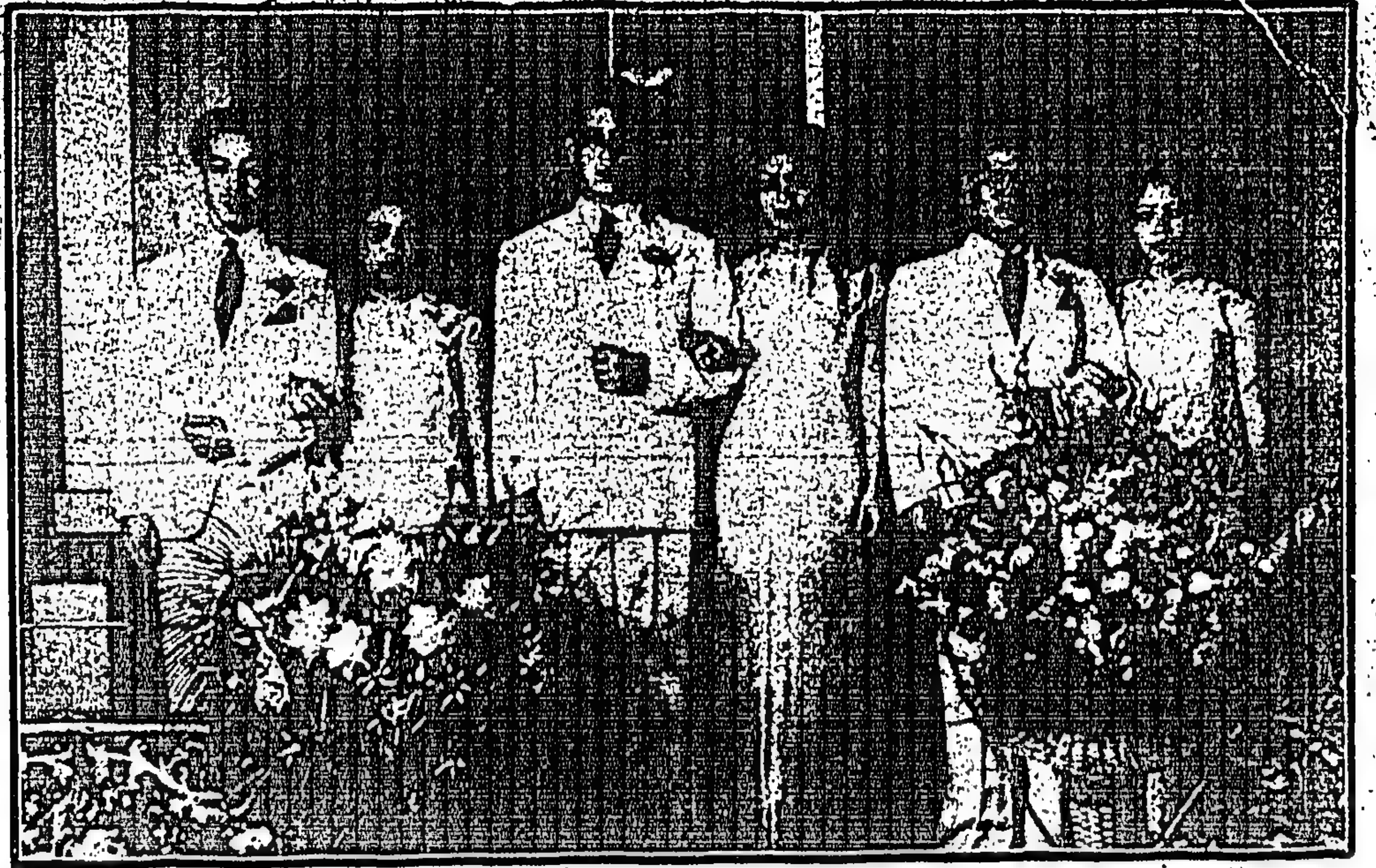
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TRIPLE WEDDING



(Above)—A triple wedding was held at the Hotel Cecil last week when the bridegrooms were Messrs. Hung Yee-hon, Loo Yung-sze and Chen Yuan-san, and the brides the Misses Chan Wei-kien, Ho Lai-yat and Chan Lai-ping. (Kahn).

(Top left)—His Excellency the Acting Governor photographed with Professor Förster and Mr. P. S. Cassidy outside the Cathedral at the Seafarers' Service last Sunday.

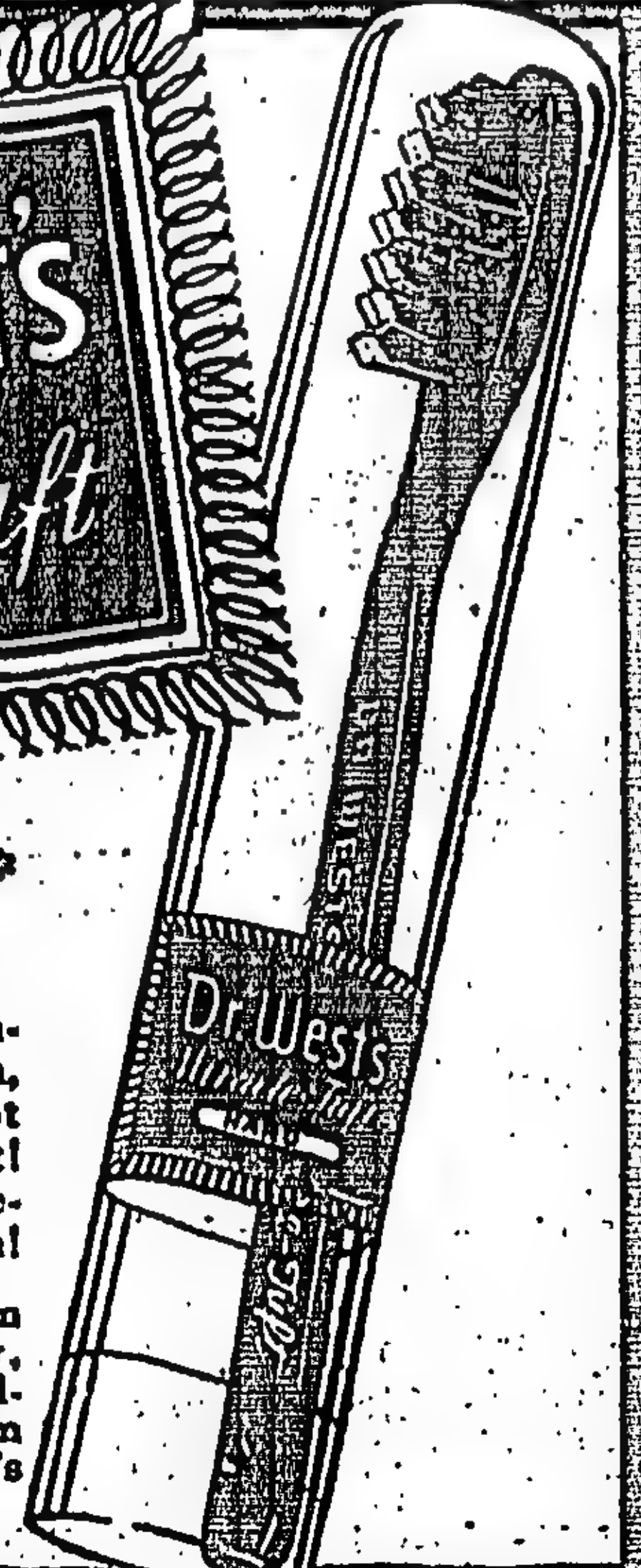
(Left)—Spectators photographed at the Kowloon Football Club during the semi-final of the Open Singles Lawn Bowls Championship when Howard looked likely to win from Jones and upset the the experts. (Kahn).

(Right)—The Waltz from "Les Sylphides" will be danced by Miss Ai-Ilen Tai at the China Defence League Benefit Recital for Chinese war orphans, to be held tonight in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel.



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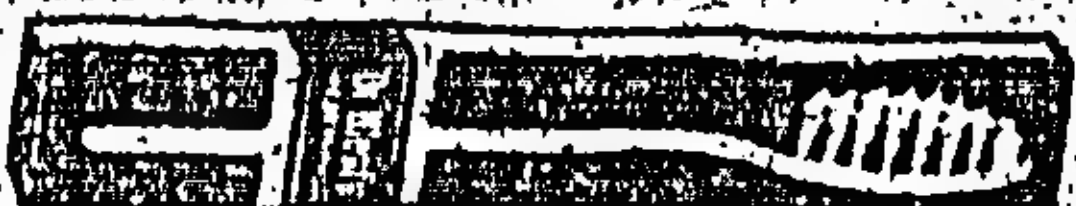
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KIEL NAVAL DOCKYARDS BOMBED FOR 2 HOURS

Hits On Nazi Warships

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Once again the raiders pressed home the attack in the face of fierce opposition from batteries of heavy and light guns, states the Air Ministry news service.

The bombardment lasted over two hours and many high explosives and incendiary bombs were seen to burst among buildings in the Deutsche Werft and the Germania yards.

JAPANESE PUBLIC SAYS WAR NEEDLESS

It is understood in Tokyo that the British Embassy regards the present situation as serious, although not necessarily hopeless, and the American Embassy is also somewhat pessimistic about the matter. The Japanese public considers a war with either America or Britain as absolutely needless, and that nothing will occur unless it is forced on Japan by the U.S.A. Japanese are asking Americans whether their country is determined to fight Japan, and to give reasons if such is the case. Moreover they are asking why the Washington State Department is recalling Americans from the Orient unless it is determined to fight.

The Japanese attitude towards Britons and Americans, however, remains unchanged, no incidents having occurred in which foreigners have been molested. There are many attacks on American and British policy, however, and the reason is given that it is necessary to arouse public opinion to defend the nation's rights and even her existence against the Anglo-American threat.

Much more surprise has been aroused by the recalling of Americans from the Orient, which is seen as a hostile gesture, than at the re-opening of the Burma Road. The re-opening is regarded as part of Anglo-American plans to encircle Japan, and she will undoubtedly take whatever measures she thinks appropriate, probably via Indo-China.

CORRESPONDENCE

DEAR SIR, — Believing that it would be of interest to the "shooting" community of this Colony I beg to enclose upon your valuable columns with the extract from a letter I received from Australia.

"Mrs. Harding is the lady I taught to shoot and now she is one of the best shots in Victoria. She won 3 championships last year. If you (the writer) come in contact with any Rifle Clubs, you will tell them we would like to have a match with them at any time."

Mrs. Harding is a member of the Victorian Miniature Rifle Clubs of Victoria and apparently they are very eager to have a match with the Rifle shots of this Colony such as exchange of targets, etc., and if any local clubs are interested in the proposition, kindly communicate with the undersigned or to: Mr. Taylor, Secretary of The Victorian Miniature Rifle Club, 732 Station Street, Box Hill, Ell, Victoria, Australia.

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One of the pilots said he came out over the top of what appeared to be a warship and dropped a stick of bombs which must have straddled the ship.

Drifting cloud made observation of results extremely difficult but other pilots believed their bombs hit the same ship. In another attack on a different part of the dockyards, bombs fell astern of another warship and two fires at once broke out.

At the same times as these raids other targets elsewhere in Germany were attacked.

Leuna Again Raided

At Leuna a large synthetic oil plant was again subjected to prolonged bombardment. With the first bombs dropped a large fire started.

At regular intervals heavy calibre bombs were dropped with precision on this important objective and further fires were seen to break out followed by numerous explosions. The last pilot to attack the plant saw his bombs burst near a line of chimneys and a few minutes later there was a gigantic explosion. — Reuter.

Direct Hits

The first raiders to take off from the base in England reached the target area soon after 9 o'clock and, according to one pilot, they were luckier than some others who followed, for on arrival they found a "great horse-shoeshaped gap five miles across in a cloud layer over Kiel."

Fifty-five miles south of Kiel other raiders were hammering docks at Hamburg but here again clouds hid results of the bombing.

Thick clouds of black smoke at Leuna made evident the success of the bombing. One pilot who made a high level attack reported that bombs had started two fires both of which burned with a brilliant white flame. Then suddenly there were three or four big explosions.

Direct hits were also registered on a power station and factory near Leuna and two factories south-west of Leipzig. — British Wireless.

ANOTHER RAID ON CHUNGKING

Eighteen Japanese planes made another attack on Chungking yesterday.

Heavier damage was done than on Wednesday. Nine wooden boats in the river and scores of houses were destroyed. A fire was started but was quickly put under control.

In yesterday's raid the Catholic Church was demolished. Only in the morning Monsignor Mario Zanin, Apostolic Delegate to China, had led prayer in the church. — Central News.

HE SAVED THE SERUMS

An obscure French Army doctor is disclosed to be the unknown hero who saved four-fifths of the Pasteur serums at the height of the battle for France.

The serums, says a Vichy report, were stored in a chateau in the battle zone. Roads to the chateau had been badly smashed by air raids, and were heavily mined. Fighting raged on all sides.

The doctor commandeered an army lorry and made three perilous trips, successfully getting the serums back to Tours.

FURTHER LOANS TO CHINA?

The question of new loans to China was under discussion during conferences held in Washington yesterday by Mr. T. V. Soong, former Chinese Finance Minister now in Washington on a special mission, and American officials.

The press was informed after the conferences that repayments of such loans could probably be made from tung oil, tungsten and other commodities. No further details are yet available. — Reuter.

LORD LOTHIAN REACHES LONDON

Lord Lothian, British Ambassador to the United States, arrived in London yesterday after crossing the Atlantic on the American Clipper.

He declined to make any statement to the press, saying he was going to confer with the British Government. — Reuter.

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The Public is notified that the offices of the War Taxation Department will be closed for business from Saturday, October 19th to Monday, October 21st both days inclusive.

Business with the Public will be resumed on Tuesday, October 22nd at

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A. G. CLARKE,

Commissioner of War Taxation.
16th October, 1940.

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C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 14th October, 1940.

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ATTEMPT TO ROB POLICE OFFICER

A cat burglar succeeded in breaking into the residence of Sub-Inspector L. Tyle at No. 12, Junction Road, early yesterday morning and stealing \$425 worth of articles. He was, however, arrested by a Chinese detective in Kowloon Tong.

Before Mr. E. Himsforth at Kowloon this morning, the alleged thief, Leung Shiu-hop, 24, was sentenced to six months' hard labour and ordered to be expelled from the Colony.



You no longer are of the younger generation if the bustle of getting ready for a vacation takes all the joy out of life

BRIDGE NOTES

(By The Four Aces)

TOO MANY TRUMPS

West doubled South because he felt sure that his trump length would prevent South from getting very far. As it turned out, however, West's very length in trumps paved the way to his undoing.

North, Dealer

North-South vulnerable

♠ 8 4
♥ K 4
♦ K J 9 5 3
♣ K J 8 4

♠ Q J 9 5
♥ Q J 9 7 5
♦ 8 7
♣ 7 5

♠ 7 3
♥ —
♦ A Q 10 6
♣ 4 2

♠ Q 9 6 3 2
♥ A 10 8 6 2
♦ A 10 8 6 3 2
♣ —

♠ A 10
♥ —
♦ —
♣ A 10

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
Pass	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♦	Pass	2♠	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♥	Pass	Pass	Dbl.
Pass	Pass	Redbl.	Pass

West opened the eight of diamonds, and South ruffed with a low trump. A low trump to dummy's King disclosed the bad trump break, and South decided to risk another diamond ruff, hoping that West would not over-ruff. The ruff got by, and South next cashed the top spades and ruffed a low spade in the dummy.

Declarer was neither surprised nor discomfited to see that West had spade length as well as trump length. He simply cashed the King and Ace of clubs; then he led a spade, giving the lead to West. With only trumps left, West was obliged to lead that suit to South, allowing Declarer to make two more tricks to fulfill his contract.

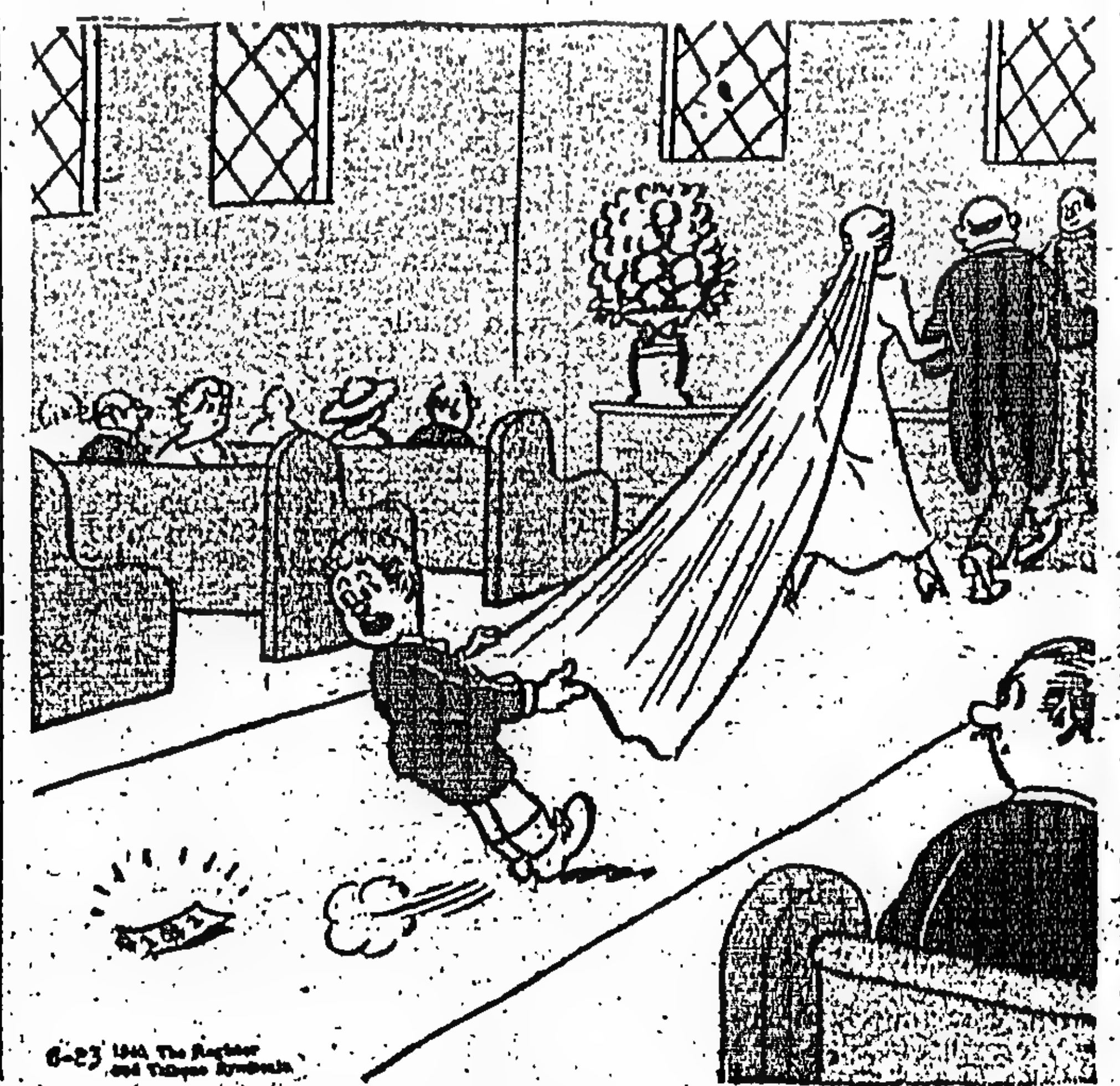
The bidding should have warned West that South had eleven cards in the major suits and that there were not likely to be defensive tricks in the minors. Far from being inclined to double on the basis of his length in the majors, West should have foreseen that he would eventually be forced to lead trumps to South. His foolish penalty double was justly punished by South's redouble.

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Last Monday, October 14, you were David Bruce Burnstone's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

OFF THE RECORD

By ED REED.



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♦ 8 4
♣ K 9 7 6 5 3

The bidding:

Burnstone	Jacoby	You	Schenken
1♠	2♣	(?)	

ANSWER: Pass. You can probably defeat two clubs, but a rescue in one of the red suits is inevitable. A double, therefore, is pointless and may encourage your partner to double a diamond or heart contract.

Score 100% for pass, 40% for two spades, 20% for double.

QUESTION NO. 541

To-day you are Oswald Jacoby's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you hold:

♠ 7 5 3 2
♥ 8 6 4
♦ 9 7 3
♣ 6 5 2

The bidding:

Schenken	Jacoby	Male	You
1♥	Dbl.	Pass	(?)

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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DR. CULLIS TO ADDRESS NURSES

A special meeting has been arranged at the Cathedral Hall at 5.40 p.m., on Monday, in order that the V.A.D., A.N.S. and staff nurses of various hospitals in Hong Kong can have an opportunity of meeting Professor Winifred Cullis, C.B.E., who is particularly interested in the work of nurses.

Professor Cullis will give an address on food values, which should be helpful, especially at this time

when a possible blockade would make a right combination of the foods available in the Colony of great importance.

It has been regretfully recognised that a number of those who would like to attend cannot do so on account of duties elsewhere and because of examinations which are being held at that hour, but it appears the same difficulty would be present at any other time. It is, therefore, hoped that all those who are not actually on duty on Monday, will make a special effort to attend the meeting.

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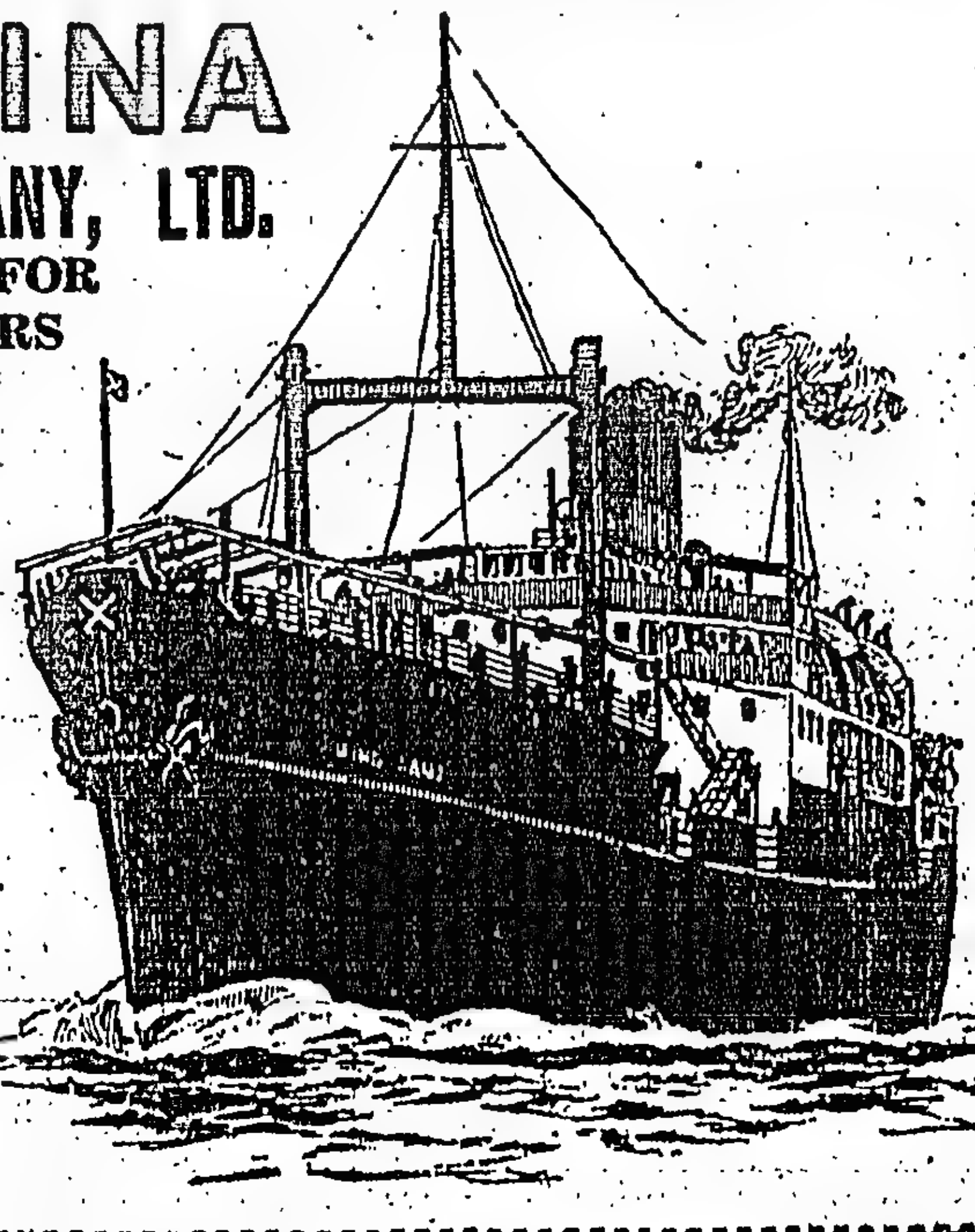
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FANLING STARTING TIMES

Following are Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Starting Times for Fanling:

SUNDAY	
Old Course	
9.10 a.m.	G. C. Worrall, S. L. Lloyd.
9.20 ..	F. Groves, I. H. Geare.
9.34 ..	R. M. Wood, A. H. McBride.
9.28 ..	E. L. Grooms, A. T. Dow.
9.32 ..	H. L. Mackenzie, J. M. Thomson.
9.36 ..	A. K. Mackenzie, J. M. Mackinnon.
9.40 ..	T. C. G. Knight, J. C. C. Matthews.
9.44 ..	A. E. Lissaman, C. W. E. Bishop.
9.48 ..	D. S. Robb, D. A. O'Kieffe.
9.52 ..	W. F. Kerr, F. Buckle.
9.55 ..	Comdr. Hole, J. Linaker.
10.00 ..	T. Megarry, L. R. Andrews.
10.04 ..	W. J. Roberts, A. H. Guinness.
10.08 ..	A. C. Meredith, E. R. Streetfield.
10.12 ..	A. Sommerfelt, K. S. Morrison.
10.16 ..	T. E. Pearce, J. C. Taylor.
10.20 ..	W. A. Cornell, A. Pollard.
10.24 ..	K. S. Robertson, L. Jackson.
10.28 ..	A. V. Currie, J. E. Richardson.
10.32 ..	G. T. Harrington, Capt. Thursby.
10.36 ..	M. Pollock, R. H. Gregory.
10.40 ..	D. C. Loneraine, A. Brown.
10.44 ..	Lieut. Carter, Capt. Tomlinson.

New Course	
9.32 a.m.	D. L. Strellett, D. D. Forbes.
9.44 ..	Col. Shackleton, Major MacKie.

Following is the revised starting list for Kowloon Golf Club v Happy Valley Golfers at Happy Valley on Sunday:—
9.00 & 10.30 a.m. R. K. Collings and D. S. Edward.
9.05 .. 10.35 .. A. J. Dennis and A. McKeller.
9.10 .. 10.40 .. H. F. Phillips and A. C. I. Bowker.
9.15 .. 10.45 .. W. S. Hillier and D. Humphreys.
9.20 .. 10.50 .. K. S. MacKenzie and W. Sharp.
9.25 .. 10.55 .. A. L. Eastman and T. Low.
9.30 .. 11.00 .. W. C. Simson and H. H. Mundy.
9.35 .. 11.05 .. W. V. Ahern and A. D. Humphreys.
9.40 .. 11.10 .. E. F. Fincher and W. Stoker.
9.45 .. 11.15 .. A. W. Ramsay and G. E. Willerton.
9.50 .. 11.20 .. W. A. Stewart and D. Forbes.
9.55 .. 11.25 .. F. C. Barry and A. H. Penn.
10.00 .. 11.30 .. J. D. Thomson and E. J. Bebbington.
10.05 .. 11.35 .. T. Lamb and G. Davies.
10.10 .. 11.40 .. A. A. Lopes and T. B. Low.
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Next article: Golf Glove Helpful.

JAPAN'S SUPPLY OF SALT

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
The salt supply situation in Japan is now normal with the increase in production in North China, reports the Tokyo "Hochi Shimbun."

Imports from Somaliland having ceased since the European war, Japanese industries suffered an acute shortage of caustic soda.

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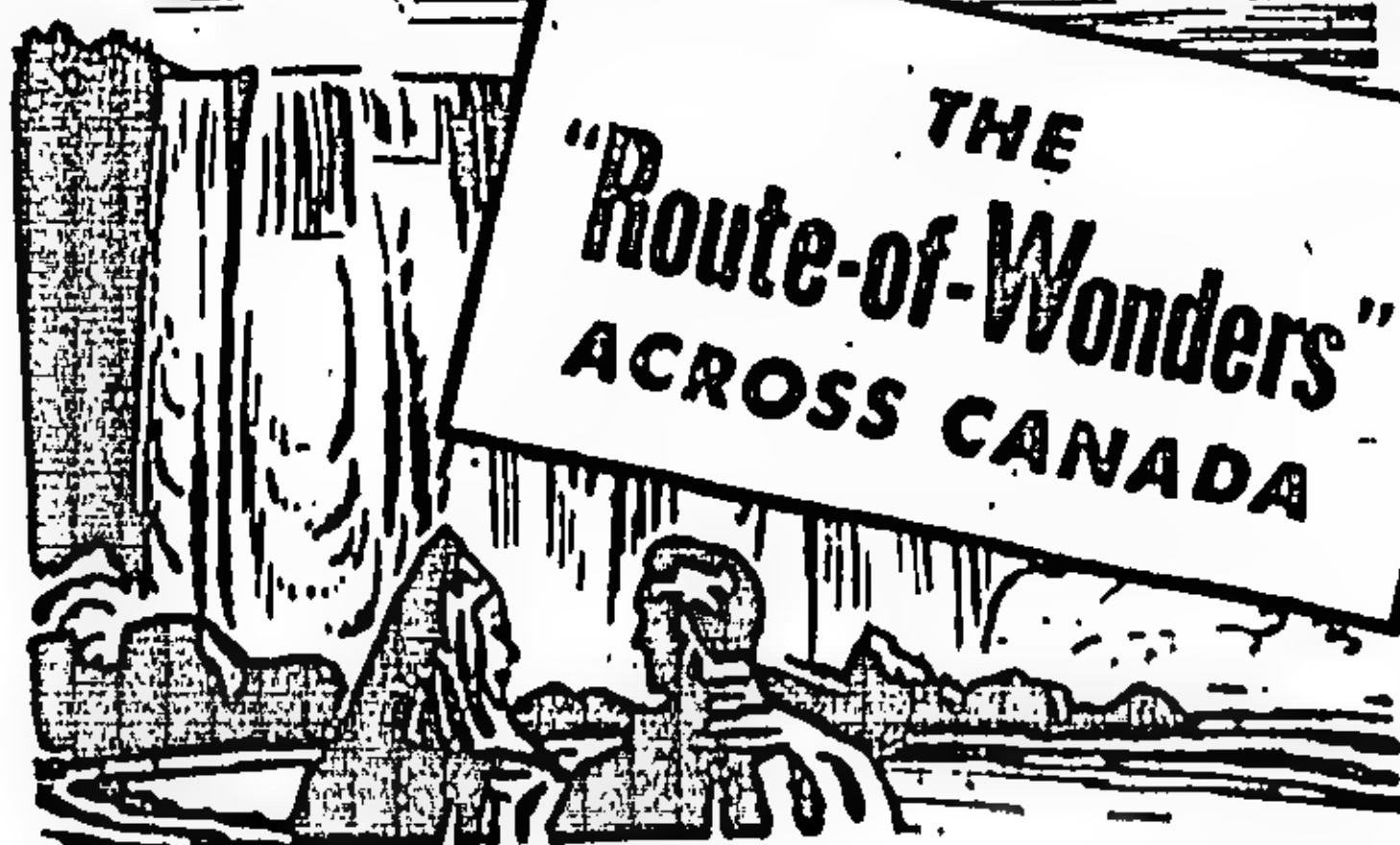
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12.30 p.m.—Two Brahms' Songs by Maria Olaszewska (Contralto).

12.36 p.m.—Brahms—Sonata No. 3 in D Minor, Op. 108. Joseph Szigeti (Violin) and Egon Petri (Piano).

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Harry Roy's Riger-Ragmuffins.

1.15 p.m.—Hawaiian Waltzes.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Duke Ellington and His Orchestra in Dance Music.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6.00 p.m.—Dania and Charles Trenet in a Light French Programme.

6.28 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.30 p.m.—Jack Harris & His Orchestra.

7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

7.15 p.m.—London Relay—Topical Talks.

7.30 p.m.—Humorous Variety Programme, with Gracie Fields, Arthur Askey & Richard Murdoch, The Two Leslies, and Nellie Wallace.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Light Orchestral with Margaret Sparks (Soprano) and Tudor Davies (Tenor).

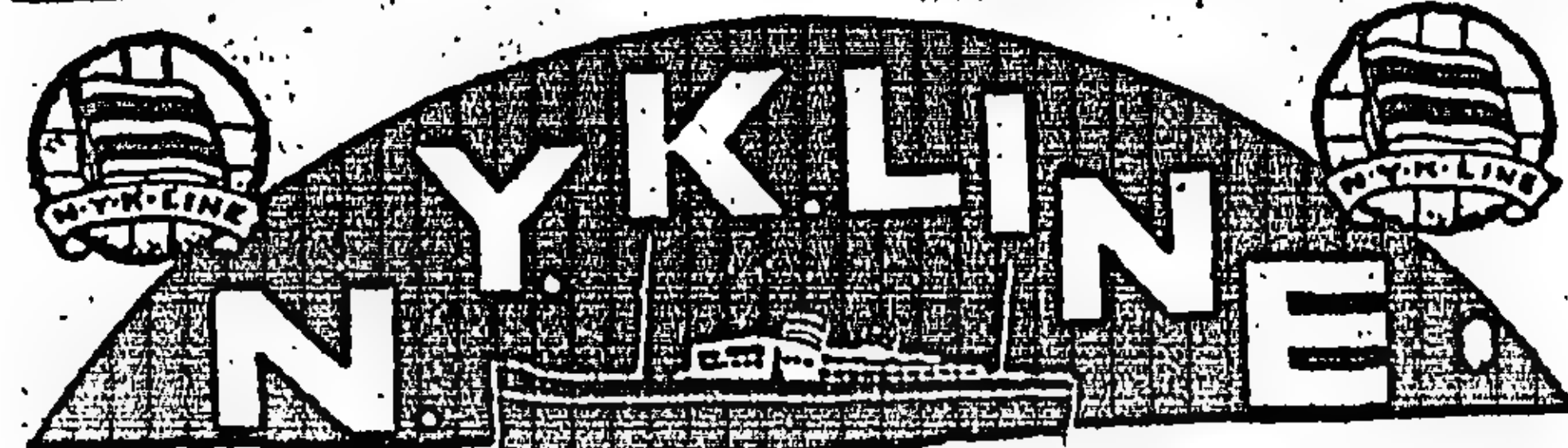
8.30 p.m.—Haydn—Symphony No. 101 in D Minor (The "Clock"). Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra of New York conducted by Arturo Toscanini.

9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and News Commentaries.

9.30 p.m.—London Relay—Talks "Books and People".

9.45 p.m.—A Classical Request Programme.

11.00 p.m.—Close down.



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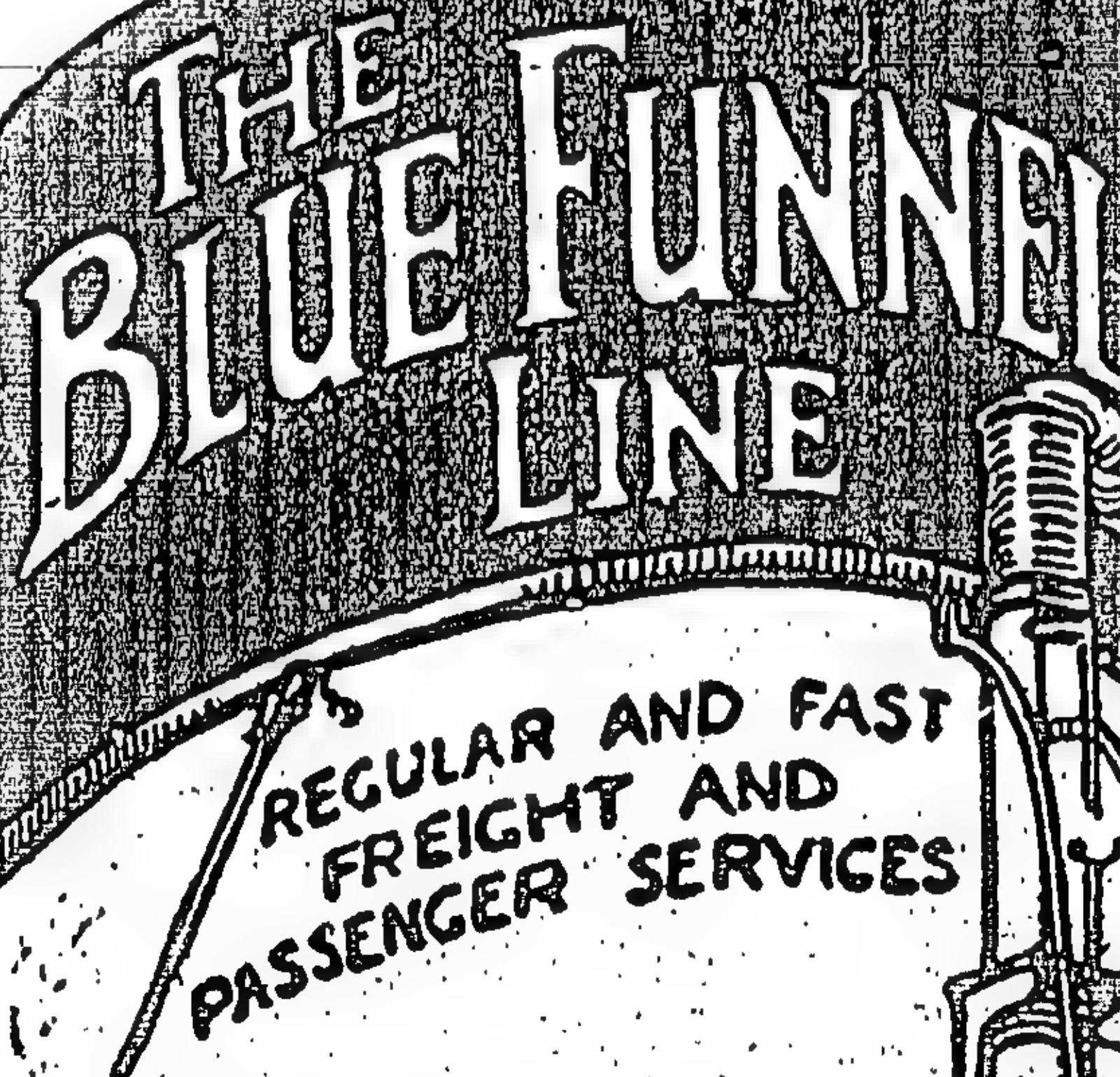
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LAWN BOWLS NOTES

End Of Season Atmosphere Marks Closing Bowls Games

Champions Have One Or Two Anxious Moments

Omar's Late Spate Of Scoring Against Eccleshall

By "Skip"

THERE WAS A DISTINCT END OF THE SEASON ATMOSPHERE ABOUT THE THREE LEAGUE BOWLS MATCHES WHICH WERE PLAYED ON SATURDAY, NOT ONLY AS REGARDS THE PLAY, WHICH SEEMED TO ME TO BE MORE JOVIAL THAN USUAL, BUT ALSO AS FAR AS THE COMPOSITION OF THE TEAMS WAS CONCERNED.

Craigengower, for instance, had three comparative strangers in their team against the Civil Servants, whose turn-out was but a shadow of its former self.

The ultimate result was a foregone conclusion but I was surprised at the huge margin in favour of the Craigengower team, which led by over 40 shots when rain drove the players to shelter at about the 17th end, when the visitors wisely decided to forfeit the points. They had about as much chance of winning the game as you or I have of drawing even a starter in the big sweep to-morrow!

Points Conceded

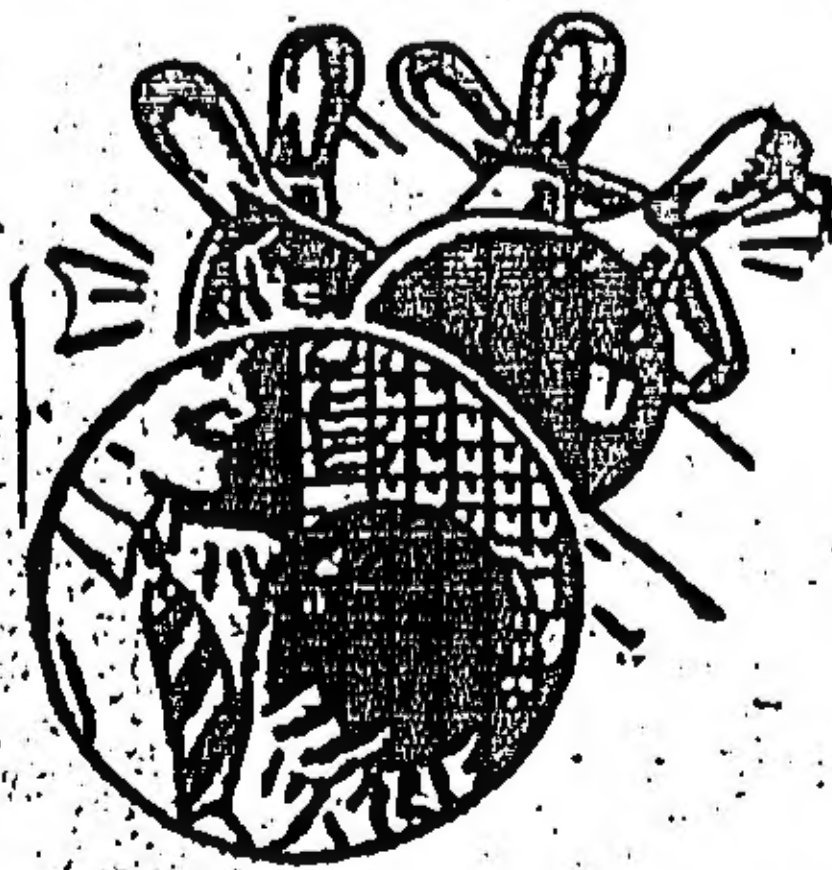
In Second Division, Civil Servants, owing to the call on their first team, were unable to play Kowloon Football Club and they conceded the points to Kowloon Football Club, thereby ensuring the latter being runners-up, a position which they secure by reason of having a better shots-up average than Taikoo, who had the same number of points.

The scores in the Craigengower and Civil Service match were even for the first four ends but a seven to Dick Basa at the next head commenced a general blitzkrieg.

It was not a very brilliant head, the woods being fairly scattered and Dick Basa, in trying to add three bottles of John Haig, trailed the kitty slightly, bringing a back wood into the count but deleting one which was a little short.

Basa had been drawing well throughout whilst Coates was also good. Penney found Jimmy Gelatly off form so it sounds hardly just to say that he beat him easily; actually the home lead was excellent.

Jones was again the outstanding player on the visiting side which secured a very good six shortly after the above big count, to take the lead momentarily but they eventually finished eight to the bad.



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Eccleshall was only four down to Omar after eleven heads but the home four then went mad and added no less than 22 shots without reply in the next seven ends!

Patchy Seven

A patchy seven was included in this dramatic scoring, three or four woods being in close proximity to the Jack, others rather scattered. The target tempted the visiting three and skip to drive, the homesters meanwhile piling them up.

Joe Landolt, making his debut as a skip, had a more even tussle with Jack Hollidge but a brace of threes towards the finish gave him a seven-shot win.

The Champions had a few anxious moments before eventually overcoming Kowloon Dock by 20, gaining 15 of these in the last four ends to bring home the bacon.

They scored two fives in these last four heads, Raoul Luz scoring one of these at the last head to tie Bob Morrison who had held the vein all the way.

It was a good five on the whole, though the home side should have saved. F. X. Soares, who had a good struggle with Alec Calman as lead, lay one shot, Alves added a couple and Jackie Noronha blocked one hand first, then drew another to which Luz added.

Bob Morrison, like Houston, played an excellent game throughout, so it seems hard, though just, to say that he failed badly to save, both his heavyish woods being narrow.

I seem to have put the cart before the horse in describing this last head, as the very first end on this rink was what might almost be called an exhibition head.

The Head

I must give it in detail. Calman drew one two feet from the jack, Soares coming in off it for a touch, but not a sitter. Calman trailed for the shot, Soares promoted his own to rob him again. McMaster trailed once more, Dick Alves knocked Soares in for shot and lay two, but Houston promoted McMaster's wood with his first then drew another. Luz was narrow, Morrison made it three and with Luz repeating his previous error, Morrison—well, what would you do!

The standard of bowls was high all through on this rink, as it was in the game between Spuggy and McKelvie, the latter showing vastly improved form compared with his game against Joe Fraser who, I am told, outbowed him the previous Saturday.

Charlie Silva proved to be the sheet anchor of his side and was always prominent, his opponent R. Lapsley junior, being rather off his usual game. But "old" Bob put in some nice shots though he was not consistent.

Carlos Silva always had an edge on Johnny Kempton's four but it needed a strong finish to win by 16 shots.

Although not playing quite up to his reputation, early on, he had a great drive at the eighth head, carrying the jack into the dyke for a couple when the enemy lay that number.

BOWLS SINGLES SEMI-FINAL

The semi-final round of the Open Singles Lawn Bowls championship of the Colony was drawn this morning and resulted as follows:—

M. N. Rakusen v F. J. Jones
M. R. Abbas v U. M. Omar
Both matches will be played at Kowloon Bowling Green Club on Thursday next and will start at 4.15 sharp. The umpires will be A. J. Hall, for the first-mentioned game, and A. Hyde-Lay.

RAKUSEN AND OMAR IN SEMI-FINALS

At Club de Recreio yesterday, U. M. Omar (holder) and M. N. Rakusen entered the Semi-Finals of the Open Singles Lawn Bowls competition when they beat A. Hyde-Lay and T. Madar respectively.

Hyde-Lay led Omar at the 13th head by 12 shots to 5 but did not score after, that while Omar registered two threes and three twos to win at the 21st head by 21-12.

Head	U. M. Omar	A. Hyde-Lay
1	0	1
2	0	1
3	0	1
4	1	0
5	0	1
6	0	1
7	1	2
8	2	4
9	0	4
10	1	5
11	0	5
12	0	5
13	0	5
14	2	7
15	3	10
16	2	12
17	1	13
18	1	14
19	2	16
20	1	17
21	1	18
22	3	21

MADAR ALWAYS TRAILING

T. A. Madar was always trailing behind M. N. Rakusen and at the 15th head was being led by 13-6. A possible at the next head brought him within striking distance but he was only able to score three singles on the remaining heads. Rakusen won at the 24th head by 22-13.

Head	M. N. Rakusen	T. Madar
1	0	1
2	0	1
3	0	2
4	0	2
5	1	3
6	1	4
7	2	6
8	0	6
9	2	8
10	1	9
11	0	9
12	0	9
13	2	11
14	1	12
15	1	13
16	0	13
17	0	13
18	1	14
19	0	14
20	2	16
21	0	16
22	1	17
23	3	20
24	2	22

"CHINA MAIL" CUP

WEEK-END MATCHES

Following is the list of week-end matches of the preliminary round of the bowls competition for the "China Mail" Challenge Cup:

At Recreio:—No. 2 Coy. "D" v 1st Battery "B" at 4 p.m. (Winner to play No. 5 "B" in next round).
At Kowloon C.C.:—No. 2 Coy.

VOLUNTEER RINKS PLAY TRUE TO FORM

By "Skip"

THE FIRST matches in the "China Mail" Challenge Cup, were played on Sunday morning and were accompanied by plenty of enthusiasm, a vast amount of jocular—and a few noggins!

All games were timed to commence at 10 a.m. and players were on the whole quite punctual, especially considering that the Aquatic Sports had been held the previous evening!

As only one of my forecasts went wrong, it can be said that the teams played to form although the magnitude of the wins was in some cases astounding. No. 5 Company's second string skipped by Capt. Botelho, for instance, simply trouncing "Busty" Bower's "B" rink from No. 1 Company. Only a couple to the bad when I left the battle-field at the 12th head, the losers collapsed completely subsequently and were able to chalk up only two more shots to their opponents' 23. This margin of 23 was also enjoyed by Field Company Engineers, who opposed Mobile Column "A" skippered by Lt. K. C. Hamilton of Kowloon Bowling Green Club third team. But three Second League players, in Castro, Howard and Bill Simpson proved too much for them.

Strong Combination

Second Battery also scored 23 on the adjoining rink at Kowloon Dock but Lt. "Billy" Alves' four were able to collect a dozen shots against them.

The winners are a very strong combination and will go far, I think.

Fortress Signals were without Charlie Needham, who was sick, and his place was taken at the last minute by Capt. W. C. Clark. As the latter had not, I believe, previously played in Hong Kong, the team did exceptionally well to score on 10 of the heads, although admittedly they totalled only 11 shots against a Field Engineer Coy. team from Kowloon Dock.

I should say that one of the best heads of the day was when No. 1 Company "C" team scored a perfect five against Pay Section.

Down by 20/3 at that stage, two shots were against them when L/C. King trailed beautifully and was immediately promoted to Captain by the spectators on the bank. He then lay two shots and on adding another one, a perfect draw, he attained Field rank, whilst Pte. Anderson pilled in a couple more for which he received a stripe each! But I am afraid you will have to look at this week's orders to see if the promotions have been confirmed!

The Pay Section of course, ran out winners, Tribble being excellent as lead and the second man putting in some "dandy" shots (joke).

Biggest Upset

Tommy Madar, skipping No. 3 Coy.'s "B" team, secured that Company's only win, in opposition to their "C" outfit, as Teddy Fincher, skipping their premier four,

"A" v 1st Battery "A" at 4 p.m. (Winner to play No. 3 "B" in next round).

At Kowloon F.C.:—A. S. C. Coy "A" v No. 2 Coy. "C" at 10 a.m. (Winner to play A.S.C. "B" in next round).

FIRST ROUND

At Kowloon Bowling Green:—No. 2 Coy. "B" v Stanley "A" at 10 a.m.

SECOND ROUND

At Recreio:—Field Engineers "C" v Field Ambulance "A" at 10 a.m.

At Kowloon Bowling Green:—Field Engineers "A" v Stanley "B" at 10 a.m.

At Kowloon C.C.:—Field Ambulance "B" v 2nd Battery at 10 a.m.

unexpectedly lost to the Field Ambulance's best rink. This formed the biggest upset of the day to my mind.

Mobile Column had a lead on A.S.C. Coy. "B" for a few ends but once Charlie Rosset's men had got in front there was no holding them and they won by over a dozen. Capt. Flippance was in good form as lead, whilst Lt. Stoker played some good shots in the early stages but did not keep up the good work.

No. 6 Company's "B" team had the audacity to begin their scoring against their "A" rink with a nap hand and Chico Ribeiro's men did not recover until the seventh head from which stage they handed it out to their juniors.

Fourth Battery proved no match for Field Ambulance "B", whilst I could not help thinking, from what little I saw of the game, that Carlos Silva's "A" team from No. 5, were playing with that same Company's "D" team, in much the same way as a cat plays with a mouse! Otherwise the scores would not have been nearly so close.

It is noteworthy that all the Field Company Engineers' teams won their games, although the "A" rink skipped by Spary had a very close struggle with the premier four from No. 1 Company, whose representatives all lost, I may add.

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O-LAN FAVOURED TO WIN TO-MORROW'S BIG EVENT

Gay Star Likely To Be Biggest Menace

Viceroy And Brown Derby The Likely Key To Daily Double

By "Rapiet"

Given fine weather again, there is every reason to anticipate a large gathering at the Ninth Extra Race Meeting, which will be held to-morrow at Happy Valley. There are eight events on the programme, main attractions being the Hong Kong Griffins Cup and the Kwangtung Handicap for "C" Class China ponies from the two-mile post once round and in. A Special Dollar Cash Sweep has reached about \$350,000 and the first prize will be around \$148,960.00.

Mr. V. V. Needa has returned North and will not be back in time for the meeting to-morrow.

RACE NO. 1.—HONG KONG GRIFFINS CUP: 1/4 MILES

The day's programme opens with the principal event of the day, the Hong Kong Griffins Cup over the Champions distance. It is a handicap event for China ponies, griffins of this season that have started in at least three Extra Meetings.

After its second placing behind Eve of Harvest in the October Handicap at the last meeting, O-Lan (Mr. Sung) seems to be the logical bet, but it must be remembered, however, that it will be carrying 12 lb. more than its last outing. Distinctive Time (Mr. Wei), which won the Double Tenth Plate last Thursday, has been given another 16 lb. to handle, and in view of the distance, I think the best it can do is to be placed. Gay Star, which won the Austin Handicap (First section) carrying 166 lb., has been promoted to "A" Class. It will be carrying 151 lb. to-morrow, and in view of the good time which it previously returned this pony is the real danger, and will probably command strong support if again ridden by Mr. Tao. Then there are Grether and Johnber, both with recommendations based on past results. I am inclined, however, to nominate O-Lan to win, with Gay Star second and Distinctive Time third.

RACE NO. 2.—NULLAH NULLAH HANDICAP

(FIRST SECTION): ONE MILE

This race is confined to First section "B" Class Australian ponies. For its win in the Cantala Handicap over 1 1/4 miles, Springhurst (Mr. Poy) has been penalised 6 lb. but as the distance is shorter I think the extra weights will not hamper its chances of winning again. Contact (Mr. Davis), which ran unplaced in the Australian Ponies Autumn Plate (1 1/4 miles), did not compete at the last meeting and I believe that this pony will give Springhurst a good fight for first position. If it does not actually win, Flying Dutchman (Mr. P. P. Botelho) was an also-ran when Springhurst won, but as the distance is only a mile I think it should do better. Fair Chance (Mr. Proulx), was most unreliable at the last two meetings so that I am afraid to recommend it for a win. Franklin (Mr. Chao) may find the distance to its liking and, given a runaway lead, it should be near at the finish. Criffel will have a change of jockey, in Mr. Craven, and, judging from their workout in morning exercise, I believe it will have something to say at the finish. However, taking everything into consideration, I nominate Springhurst to win with Contact, second and Criffel third.

RACE NO. 3.—WERRIBEE HANDICAP: ABOUT ONE MILE 151 YARDS

Novice jockeys are here given an opportunity of riding Australian ponies, for the first time, and it will be interesting to see how well they can handle such fast mounts. Cattarick Bridge has been given top-weight of 165 lb. for coming in second to Warrego River in the Williamstown Handicap over the mile at the last meeting, but as this pony is not dependable I am afraid I cannot recommend it for a win, although it is the best amongst this bunch of ponies. Under Mr. Cooper, Quick Despatch

stands the best chance of winning as this pony came in third in the Canberra Plate over the mile, a week ago last Thursday. Tarzan was fourth in the Williamstown Handicap (one mile), and as it will be taken out by its owner-jockey (Mr. Hoo Pak-ming) again it should have a say here if it is not allowed to take too great a lead at the start. Mr. S. W. Lee has three ponies in Forehand Drive, Lovely Kid and Winnie to choose from, and whichever one he decides to ride should be prominent at the finish. There is also Colorado Star (Mr. Sequeira) to be reckoned with as this pony was third in the above race, ridden by Mr. Davis. I expect Quick Despatch to win with Tarzan second and Colorado Star third.

RACE NO. 4.—WYNDHAM HANDICAP: 1/4 MILES

This race will be contested by "B" Class China ponies. Judging from its last run behind Gay Star, Rose Emily (Mr. Poy) has been given another 7 lb. to handle, and as the distance is longer it will probably win this race. Mr. Wei has two ponies to choose from in Conquering Time and Red Feather, and I expect him to take out the latter as it is better over this distance. Mr. Black will take out Avon instead of Bear Claw and, although it ran unplaced the last time out, when carrying 108 lb., it should do better here with only 145 lb. to take care of. King Kong lost to Peaceful View by a neck in the Austin Handicap (second section), and has its weight reduced by 14 lb. It should have a say here if taken out by a strong riding jockey. Jobber will again be ridden by Mr. Chao and if allowed to take a big lead it will not be too easy to overhail. Lilliber, which went lame during the Annual Meeting, has been in training again, and although it seems to be looking well, I am afraid it has not done sufficient track work to win this race. Humdrum Eve (Mr. Pih) is also a dangerous contender on account of its light weight of 144 lb. I think the first position will be fought out between Rose Emily and Red Feather, with the third place very open.

RACE NO. 5.—MOORE PARK HANDICAP: SIX FURLONGS

This is the first leg of the "Daily Double" and will be contested by "A" Class Australian ponies with a proviso that winners of \$2,000 or more in stakes since 1st January, 1940, are barred. Viceroy, although recently promoted from "B" Class, with Mr. Black up, is my choice, which is based on the performance when it won the Vauluse Handicap over six furlongs at the 7th Extra Meeting. The danger, of course, is Lancashire Chips (Mr. Wei), which has always been placed over this distance. Courting Eve (Mr. Pih), although carrying top-weight of 165 lb., should not be overlooked as this pony is joint holder of the record with its stable mate, Far View, over this distance. Conner, which came in third at the 7th Extra Meeting in the Australian Ponies Autumn Plate, may give a better account of itself on Saturday if again ridden by Mr. Hearne. Many Thanks, if taken out by Mr. Davis to-morrow, should be prominent at the finish as it is quite capable of extending the above ponies. I think Viceroy

will win with Lancashire Chips second and Courting Eve third. For a long shot I recommend keeping Devonian in mind. It will be ridden by Mr. Trevorton and has only 135 lb. to carry.

RACE NO. 6.—BALLARAT HANDICAP: ONE AND A QUARTER MILES

In this event, for "C" Class Australian ponies, I don't think I shall be far wrong in stating that the finish will be confined to: Venus Bay (Mr. Sung) Warrego River (Mr. Black) Shuttlecock (Mr. Hearne) Piccadilly Jim (Mr. Poy). Venus Bay, which won the Canberra Plate over the mile a week ago last Thursday, has been penalised 10 lb. but, although the distance is longer, I think it still stands a good chance of repeating its last success. Warrego River won the Williamstown Handicap over the same distance on the first day of the 8th Extra Meeting, and it has been penalised by 5 lb. It should be very near at the finish if it does not win. Shuttlecock lost to Brown Derby in the Katoomba Handicap over the two mile post distance and as it is carrying another 10 lb. its chance of winning is rather remote as the distance is probably against it. Piccadilly Jim was third in the race with Shuttlecock, and as it has been penalised by only 3 lb. and the distance is longer it should offer stern opposition to the first two above-mentioned ponies.

I like Warrego River better than the other two ponies.

RACE NO. 7.—NULLAH NULLAH HANDICAP: (SECOND SECTION): ONE MILE

Those who succeed in the first leg will be presented with a real problem in making the right connection in this race, the second leg of the "Daily Double." The ponies taking part are from the second section "B" Class Australian ponies. Brown Derby (Mr. Black) was in the "C" Class, when it won the Katoomba Handicap over the two mile post distance, carrying 162 lb., and it won with plenty to spare. I think it will find good support against the "B" Class ponies, and I am of the opinion that this pony is good enough to win again. However, there is A Roaring Time (Mr. Wei) to be reckoned with as this pony was fourth in the Cantala Handicap over 1 1/4 miles on the first day of the 8th Extra Meeting and with a shorter distance it should prove a real menace to Brown Derby for first position. Derby Day (Mr. Hearne) and Pumpnickel (Mr. Tao) are very fast sprinters, but I doubt if they will last the mile. There are Happy Landings (Mr. Davis) and Winfred (Mr. Pih), two old stalwarts, to think of, as both of them are quite capable of upsetting calculations. I am, however, inclined to nominate Brown Derby to win, with A Roaring Time second and Happy Landings third. Winfred is the outsider in this race.

RACE NO. 8.—KWANGTUNG HANDICAP: ABOUT ONE MILE 151 YARDS

The biggest field of the day will turn out here, if all accept, but I doubt if we have enough jockeys to meet the demand. This is a forced entry race for "C" Class China ponies with no entrance fee. The Special Dollar Sweep will depend on the result of this race. Thirty Six (Mr. Hearne) has been penalised 20 lb. for coming in second in the first section of the Yunnan Handicap. I doubt very much whether it can win with this extra weight, and the best it can do will be place again. Victoria (Mr. Pih), winner of the second section of the above handicap, carrying 150 lb., has been allotted 11 lb. more, but as it was not then extended it should win again. Eve of Dancing, which won the Carnarvon Stakes over the mile with Mr. Wood up, has gone up 9 lb. and it again, ridden by the same rider will have 5 lb. allowance. These two combined well and should not be disregarded. Eve of Hunting, which won the Hunan Handicap (first section) over 1 1/4 miles last Thursday, will be taken out by Mr. Black and, in view of its easy win with Mr. Craven on top, it should be worth following. Taxing Master (Mr. Tao), ran unplaced the last time out, but this should not be taken as an indication that the pony is unable to last out the dis-

BOWLING ALLEY JOTTINGS

By "STRIKE"

THERE was quite a useful game of Ten Pins played in the Alleys on Friday between Joe Harvey and his Asheville Boys against a representative team from the Alleys.

C.P.O. Merkel deputised for Harmon of Asheville, who was unavoidably absent, but retired after the second game and C.P.O. Wood completed the remaining three games.

There was no doubt about the superiority of the Alley Team for they won by 309 pins, the individual scores being as follows:

ALLEY TEAM	ASHEVILLE
J. H. Watts 878	C. J. Fleming 793
D. Hall 849	W. J. Balaski 757
Doc. Molthen 814	E. L. Wood 449
S. A. Ismail 772	Joe Harvey 734
	G. C. Merkel 271

Watts, for Alley Team, was again top scorer with a useful 878, or an average of almost 176 pins per game, his consistency was noticeable, his lowest score being 165 and his highest 191.

Hall Does Well

D. Hall, for the Alley Team, did remarkably well, he bagged 849 or an average of 170 pins per game. In the case of this player the feature of his bowling was his wonderful consistency throughout the match, his scores being 166, 168, 167, 182.

Doc. Molthen, for the Alley Team, did not shine as usual, his 814 or an average of 163 per game not representing by any means his usual accomplishment. It seems that he only got going on his third game, when he netted a useful 211, the only score of 200 or over throughout the match.

Ismail, for Alley Team, scored 772 or an average of almost 155 per game. This was quite a useful score.

Fleming for the Asheville, who was top scorer for his side, almost reached the 800 mark, and would undoubtedly have done so had he not started off with a poor 126 on his first game; as it was he made a useful 793 or an average of 159 pins per game, and this score went a long way to stave off a bigger defeat.

Balaski for Asheville was lower than his usual, his 757 being about as low as I have seen him do. Again in the case of the veteran Joe Harvey, there was no doubt about his being away off, 734 or an average of 147 pins being about as low as I have ever seen him register for a match game. On the whole the Alley Team, bowled very consistently, the average per game per player working out at almost 160 pins each, while the Asheville were only 150 pins per player per game.

Challenge Match

There was a pairs challenge match arranged on October 14, between C.P.O. Summers partnered by C.P.O. Wood against Balaski and Joe Harvey. The match resulted in a very close win for the former players by 25 pins only. The individual scores were as follows:

E. L. Wood 808	W. J. Balaski 814
C. J. Summers 751	Joe Harvey 720

Balaski was top scorer with 814 or an average of 163; he might have done better had he not failed on his second game, to make a poor 134. E. L. Wood made second top score with 808 or an average of 162, but again in his case he might have made a much higher score had he not made two low scores of 137 and 144 on his third and fourth games. Both Summers and Harvey were disappointing. Summers' 734 or 150 average, being very low for him, while Harvey's 720 or 144 average was exceptionally low for such a

seasoned player. Although he registered the highest score of the match, with a good 199, he failed badly on his second game to make 118, and 124 on his fifth game.

The third match of the 20-game challenge match between Doc. Molthen, partnered by Ernie Hearther, and Cpl. Blount, partnered by Cpl. Watts, was played off on Wednesday, October 17, and again resulted in a win for the former by 64 pins.

The individual scores were as follows:

Hearther 968	Blount 929
Molthen 904	Watts 879

There was no doubt about the high quality of the scoring from all four players. Watts might have done a little better but his 879 or an average of 176 per game was a good effort, spoiled by a very low 137 on his fifth game; had he made on his fifth game the average of his first four games, which was 186, his score would have been 928 and would have materially assisted in reducing the deficit for this match. Blount as usual did extraordinary well, his 929 or 186 pins per game being indeed a good effort; he also bagged, during his game, two beautiful scores, 212 on his fourth game and 210 on his fifth game.

Hearther Top-Scorer

Ernie Hearther was easily the top scorer of the match with a brilliant 968 or an average of almost 195 pins per game. Another strike or two in the right place would have made 1,000 or an average of 200 pins per game. He also bagged two 200 scores, 208 on his first game and another 208 on his third game.

Doc. Molthen made a good 904, or an average of 181 pins per game, which materially assisted his partner in the win. I cannot help thinking that these four players would carry all before them if they were in the same team together. I have compiled the total scores of the four players up to the end of the third leg, and it is interesting to note the averages of each; they are as follows:

Ernie Hearther 2721
(average of 182 pins per game)
Doc. Molthen 2650
(average of 177 pins per game)

Corp. Blount 5371
(average of 177 pins per game)
Corp. Watts 2520
(average of 168 pins per game)

Therefore Hearther and Molthen are in the lead by 106 pins on the third leg.

There was quite a keenly-contested five-game Ten Pins match between our old friends the Chief Petty Officers of the U.S.S. Asheville and the Royal Corps of Signals.

It was a return match, the first having been won by the Royal Signals. The match was arranged on the evening of the departure of the Asheville from the Colony and resulted in a wonderfully close finish, of 28 pins in favour of the Asheville C.P.O.'s, the scores being as follows:

ASHEVILLE C.P.O.	SIGNALS
L. C. Garrett 852	D. Hall 856
E. L. Wood 816	H. Blount 757
G. C. Merkel 761	J. H. Watts 735
W. C. Colley 611	G. Birkett 634

There was no doubt that the C.P.O.'s caught the Royal Signals napping, for, with the exception of L/Cpl. Hall, the rest were away below their usual scores, and were evidently completely off form. L/Cpl. Hall for Royal Signals was top scorer of the match with a good 856 or an average of 171 pins per game; his scoring was noticeable by his consistency, his lowest score being 161 and his highest 192.

L. C. Garrett for the Asheville was a very close second, with 852 or an average of almost 171, this being noteworthy by a magnificent 232 on his first game. Incidentally this is the record score for the month up to time of writing these jottings. His score was made up with a spare on his first and second frames, four strikes in a row on his third, fourth, fifth and sixth frames; a spare on his seventh frame; then three more strikes on a row on his eighth, ninth, and tenth frames. It was a really good effort.

C.P.O. Wood for Asheville was third top scorer with 816 or an average of 163 pins per game; this player is getting better and better in each match he plays, and I have no doubt that in the near future he will do even better. Blount and Watts for Signals were disappointing, their 757 and 735 respectively being the lowest I ever seen these accomplished bowlers put up. The rest of the players trailed away behind from 611 to 634 or an average of 120 to 137 pins per game. Nevertheless it was a very enjoyable match and another match against the Signals on their return to Hong Kong will be arranged by Asheville.

ARMY SPORTLIGHT

By "Squaddy"

THE Combined Small Units won the Large Units Water Polo competition by beating the Middlesex Regiment at the Queen's Road Swimming Bath on Tuesday evening, by two goals to one.

The Middies were unfortunate to lose by a penalty goal awarded against Bindon for attempting to obstruct a free throw inside the four yards area.

The Middlesex defence were sound and often broken up the attacking forwards combination, although Hymas was a little inclined to hang on to the ball too long in the second half instead of giving it to his forwards. Bindon was slightly erratic on the wing.

Jennings was the pick of the losers and scored their only goal after a good pass from Bindon, who was attacked by two of the Small Units players on the wing.

The Signals who were representing the Small Units, did not play as well as they usually do, and Macann, who has just come out of hospital, could not stay the pace. Pitcher and Bedford were the pick of the Small Units, and Bennett in goal gave a fine performance.

P.S.M. Ure, the Middies' half-back, played well and did not give Digman much chance throughout the game; he was far above the standard of his other partners.

Digman scored the first goal of the match in the first few moments of the second half, but this was soon equalised by Jennings who scored with a fine shot in the corner of the goal. The winning goal came from Morgan who scored from a penalty throw.

At the conclusion of the game Colonel Clifford, the President of the Area Aquatics, presented the

POLICE HAVE TWO NEWCOMERS IN THEIR FIFTEEN

(By "SCRUM-HALF")

Police Rugby team for tomorrow's game against Navy is as follows: Taylor; Dinsdale, Howlett, Jackson and Reynolds; Wall and Morrison; Cullinan (Captain), Todd, Searle; Oakley, Jenner; Wright-Nouth, Dempsey and Innes.

Newcomers are Todd and Dinsdale, who came out the year before last but who was under doctor's orders. Having played in good class Rugby in Scotland, he is reported to be a very useful acquisition. Todd came out here last year and is taking Cullinan's place as hooker.

Players who will be missed are Wilson, Fay and Leslie, all of whom are in hospital, and Luscombe, whose injured knee—he put it out in the first game this season—will keep him out of the game for a couple of months.

This team should beat Navy, but it does not look too impressive outside the pack.

Navy Team

Following will represent Navy:—F/Lt. Wright (Capt.); Tel. Bowden, Tel. Paul, Cdt. Lambie and P. O. Skinner; S/Lt. Plugge and S/Lt. Rutherford; L. S. A. Palmer, Lt. Watson, St. Mansfield, Ft. Lt. Taylor, C. P. O. Wtr. King, Lt. (E.) Brown, Lt. Bayly and S/Lt. Heard.

Reserves:—P. O. Clough, S/Lt. Carey and A. B. Longmuir.

SAPPERS' SPORTS

Following were the results of the Royal Engineers sports held yesterday in the Army Swimming Pool:—

Six Men 33 1/3 free-style relay:—1. Chinese Section 22nd Coy. (2 mins. 9 4/5 secs.); 2. No. 1 Section 22nd Coy. (2 mins. 12 3/5 secs.); 3. No. 2 Section 22nd Coy.; 4. British Section 40th Coy.

Four Men medley relay (back, breast, side and free-style):—1. British Section 40th Coy. (1 min. 40 4/5 secs.); 2. No. 1 Section 22nd Coy. (1 min. 42 secs.); 3. Chinese Section 22nd Coy.; 4. No. 2 Section 22nd Coy.

Life Saving Exhibition:—Spr. Howarth and L/Cpl. Jefford.

Four Men 66 2/3 yards free-style relay:—1. Chinese Section 22nd Coy. (3 mins. 35 1/5 secs.); 2. No. 1 Section 22nd Coy. (3 mins. 38 4/5 secs.); 3. No. 2 Section 22nd Coy.; 4. British Section 40th Coy.

Individual Diving:—1. Cpl. Davidson (70 1/2); 2. L/Nat. Lt. Pan-yu (68); 3. Spr. Nolde (64); 4. L/Cpl. Apperley (61 1/2).

Four Men 135 1/5 yards free-style relay:—1. No. 1 Section 22nd Coy. (6 mins. 1 2/5 secs.); 2. Chinese Section 22nd Coy.; 3. British Section 40th Coy.

Four Men (Section Officers, Sgt. or L/Sgt., Cpl. or L/Cpl. and Spr.) inter-section free-style relay:—1. No. 2 Section 22nd Coy. (61 secs.); 2. British Section 40th Coy.; 3. Dead-heat between No. 1 Section 22nd Coy. and Chinese Section 22nd Coy.

Company Office Race (O.C., C.S.M., or C.Q.M.S., Orderly, Cpl. and Coy. Sergeant or Clerk):—1. Headquarters; 2. 22nd Coy.; 3. 40th Coy.

Combined Small Units with the Soldiers' Club challenge cup for water polo. The Signals also were presented with cups for being winners of the Small Units water polo competition, and the Combined Small Units also received the Aggregate Cup for Swimming for 1940.

THE Army held its second rugby trial on Tuesday at Sookunpoo and one or two useful players were found.

Lieut. Wedderburn gave an excellent performance at scrum-half, and Lieut. Willoughby was outstanding in the pack.

Capt. Hook, who also is the Area Hockey officer, has been selected to Captain the Army XV on Saturday against the Club on the latter ground.

2/Lieut. Heath is the only other newcomer to the Army team this year.

The Army "B" team will meet the Club "B" team on the Army ground on Saturday and will be captained by Capt. A. G. Hewitt of the Middlesex Regiment. Both teams are expected to do well.

The following teams will represent the Army versus The Hong Kong Football Club at the Club Ground Happy Valley on Saturday, 19th.

Army 1st XV. v. Club 1st XV. 2/Lt. Ford, 2/R.S., L/Bdr. Richards, 8th/H., Capt. Douglas, 2/R.S., Lieut. Coombes, R.A.M.C., Sgt. March, 8th/H., Capt. Hook, (Capt.), 8th/H., 2nd/Lt. Wedderburn, 5/A.A., Pte. Berry, 1/Mx., Cpl. Sutherland, 2/R.S., 2/Lt. Pinkerton, 2/R.S., Lt. Willoughby, 1/Mx., 2/Lt. Millar, 2/R.S., Capt.

Duke, 2/R.S., 2/Lt. Cuthbertson, 2/R.S., 2/Lt. Heath, 5/A.A.

Time: 4.15 p.m.

Army 'A' XV. v. Club 'A' XV. Lt. Lomax, 8/H., L/C. Picton, R.E., Signm. Willis, R.C.S., Gnr. Giblin, 5/A.A., Pte. Macdonald, R.A.M.C., 2/Lt. Gibson, 2/R.S., L/C. Foley, R.E., 2/Lt. Bompas, H.K.S.R.A., Capt. Hewitt, (Capt.) 1/Mx., 2/Lt. Delderfield, 12/H., Gnr. Whitehead, 5/A.A., Cpl. Chandler, R.A.M.C., Pte. Mohan, R.A.M.C., Cpl. Bedford, R.C.S., Sgt. Page, 5/A.A.

Time: 3 p.m.

The following reserves will be prepared to play in either of the above teams:—

Capt. Drew-Wilkinson, 2/R.S., Gnr. Keeble, 2/Lt. Eddison, 12/H., L/Sgt. Sheldrake, R.E., and Gnr. Clifton.

Players are requested to be on the field 15 mins. before the game is due to start. Kit will be provided for both teams.

THE Small Units football knock-out competition is providing us with some brilliant football, and we have now nearly completed the first round of the knock-out. Here are the results to date:—

22nd (F) Coy. R.E.s. beat 35th (M) C.D. Bty., R.A., by two goals to one, Lee Wai Lan and Chan Kum Poi scored for the Sappers, and Carley scored for the Gunners.

The Royal Air Force beat the 7th A.A. Bty., R.A., by the odd goal in five with Bartlett (2), Munfield (1) and Willis (1).

Thorne scored for the gunners.

"HQ" Coy of the Royal Scots beat "D" Coy of the Middlesex by 2 goals to 1.

"D" Coy of the Royal Scots beat the Hong Kong Signal company by 5 goals to nil.

"A" Coy of the Royal Scots beat "C" Coy of the Middlesex 2-1.

"A" Coy of the Middlesex Regt. beat the Corps of Military Police 10 goals to nil with Jennings scoring no less than six times, Saw scoring 3, and Coomer 1.

"B" Coy of the Royal Scots beat the 27 Coy R.A.M.C., 3 goals to 1.

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THE Middlesex Regt. are playing South China at Sookunpoo on Saturday, 19th, and will be strengthening their pivot line with

Bright being played for the first time this season; he has not been able to play before owing to injuries.

On Sunday the Royal Scots are playing Kwong Wah at Sookunpoo, and this should result in a win for the Scots.

SOFT ball is beginning to gain favour with units of the garrison and so far four teams have entered the league.

The Engineers, who made their debut last year, are confident of giving a fine display again this year under the supervision of Welfie Welford, and have three excellent hurlers in Sgt. Denyer, Fox of football fame, and Shaw.

The Royal Scots are making their debut this season and will be managed by R. Phillips. They should be able to field some brilliant players, after

having a lot of practice at baseball and Army rounds.

The 8th Hvy. Regt., R.A., are also entering the league and are showing the way for other Artillery teams, despite the long way that they have to come to play their games.

The Royal Air Force have a strong team and are after the league honours this season. They have an excellent hitter in Gillespie who has strengthened his hitting by playing a season of baseball.

Their manager, Tich Moulten, has great ideas for them, and they are rated as the most improved team in the Colony.

It is hoped that more units will follow the example of the four teams mentioned above. We are still trying to form an Army league for this sport, but no replies have been received as yet. If anyone is interested will they please get in touch with the Area Sports Board.

ON Tuesday, the Middlesex "A" team beat the Police "A" team at Shamshuipoo, by four goals to nil.

Sheehan scored the hat-trick, and Tait the other.

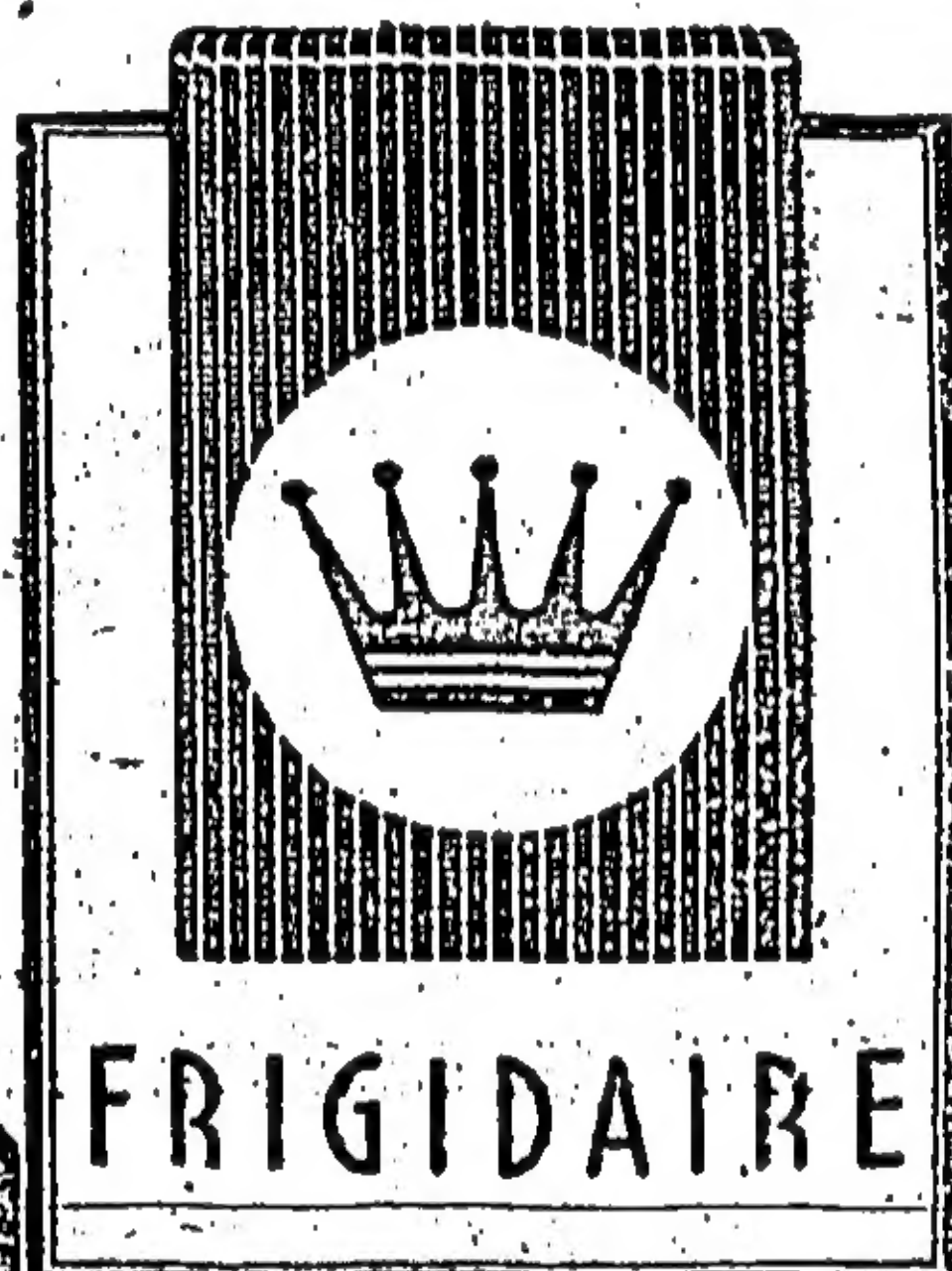
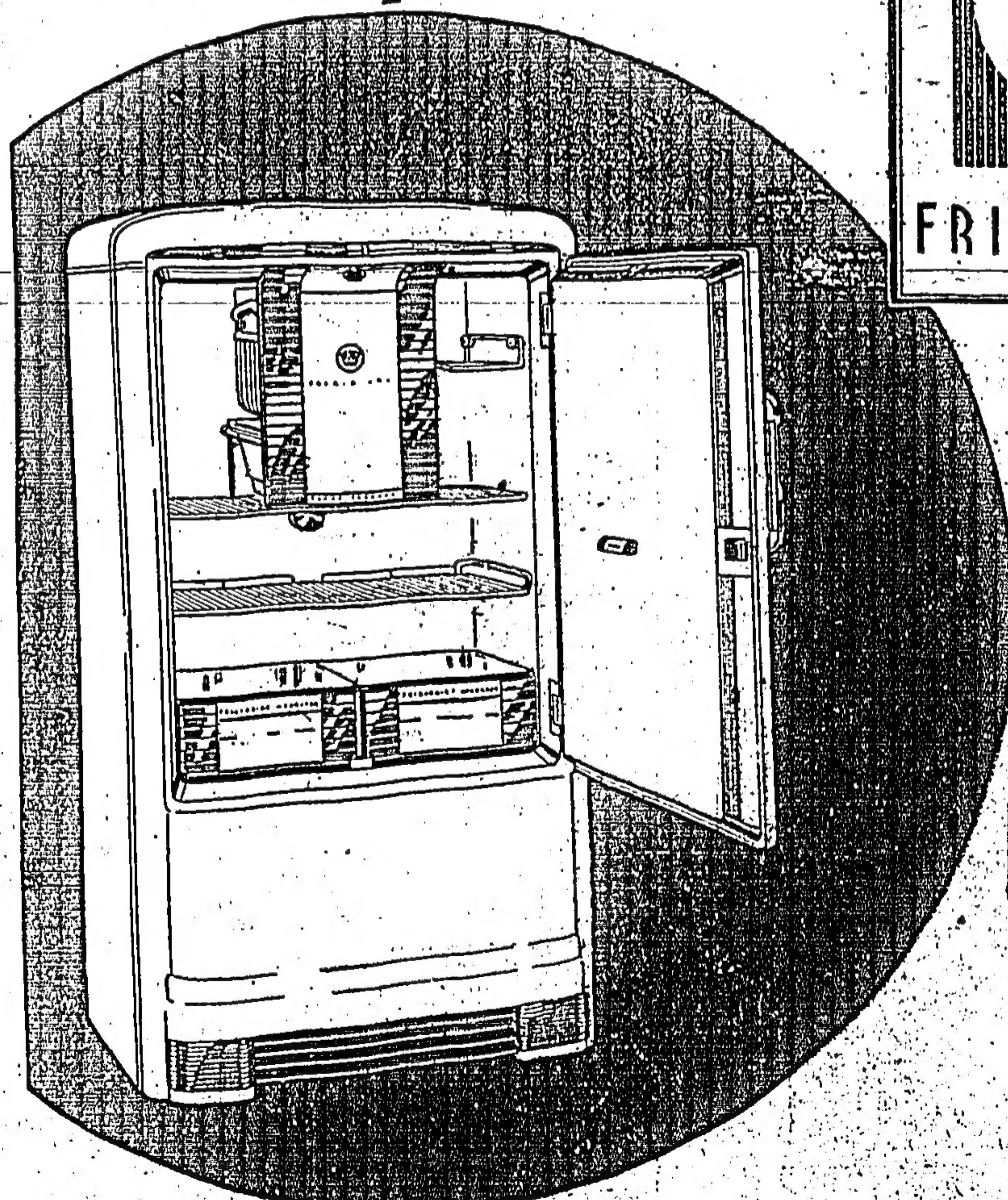
The best player on the field was Sgt. Waldron of the Middlesex, who, playing at left half, gave an excellent performance; he also plays for the Y.M.C.A.

NEXT week the Army Selection Committee for football, will meet for the purpose of selecting the Army teams to play against the Navy. Trial matches, will be played next month for the purpose of getting together a strong Army XI which will be given the opportunity of playing more together this season than in previous years.

Football Meeting

Softball

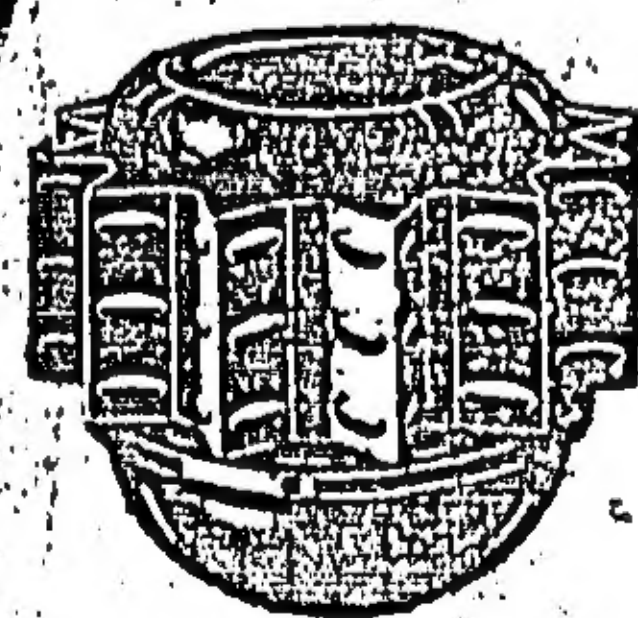
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SPANISH CABINET SHUFFLING

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
THE APPOINTMENT OF SENOR SERRANO SUNER, BROTHER-IN-LAW OF GENERAL FRANCO, AS SPANISH FOREIGN MINISTER—ONE CHANGE IN A SUDDEN CABINET RESHUFFLE—HAS CAUSED SOME SURPRISE IN MADRID.

Senor Suner has just completed a mission to Italy and Germany and now replaces Col. Juan Beigbeder, who has resigned. Senor Alarcon dela Lastra, Minister of Industry and Commerce, has resigned and is replaced by Senor Carceller, a specialist on economic questions.

What is considered the most important development in the Cabinet reshuffle is General Franco's decision to place the Home Ministry directly under his order; although he has already taken over the general military and civil administration of the State this is the first time he will personally take charge of a specific department.

The reshuffle is considered to be a major development, especially at a time when Spain's domestic situation and foreign relations constitute a turning point in her history. — Havas.

BAR TO D.F.C.

Among R.A.F. awards announced yesterday is a bar to the Distinguished Flying Cross to Pilot Officer A. G. Lewis, born at Kimberley, South Africa, who, according to the official account, "on September 27 destroyed six enemy aircraft. This makes a total of 18 destroyed by him. His courage and keenness are outstanding." — British Wireless.

Mr. Churchill Explains The Position

THE SUSPENSION from his duties of Mr. R. Boothby, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Food, was announced by the Prime Minister in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Churchill indicated the suspension was at Mr. Boothby's own request pending investigation by a select committee of Mr. Boothby's connection with the payment out of assets in Britain of claims against the Government and institutions of Czechoslovakia.

JAPAN'S TELL-TALE FIGURES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
THE JAPANESE FINANCE MINISTRY IS TO CEASE THE PUBLICATION OF TRADE FIGURES, THE "JAPAN TIMES" DECLARED TO-DAY IN TOKYO.

The decision has been taken, says the paper, "to safeguard vital economic data."

Formerly foreign trade figures were issued every ten days, monthly and quarterly.

The "Japan Times" says it is believed that the recent activities of "economic spies," who used the figures for espionage, caused the decision. — Havas.

Mr. Churchill said the committee would report whether Mr. Boothby's conduct was contrary to the usage or derogatory to the dignity of the House or inconsistent with the standards which Parliament was entitled to expect from its members.

Explaining the situation, Mr. Churchill said that after the occupation of Prague, certain Czech assets were blocked in Britain and there arose the question of payment from these assets to those who had claims against Czechoslovakia.

Mr. Boothby, said Mr. Churchill, took a very active part in interviewing Ministers in this matter and pressed for legislation.

Financial Interest

Mr. Boothby spoke in the Commons on the bill which was subsequently introduced.

Mr. Boothby became chairman of an informal committee of Czech claimants and had pressed for payment of claims.

EVIDENCE, SAID THE PRIME MINISTER, HAD RECENTLY BEEN PLACED BEFORE THE GOVERNMENT WHICH INDICATED THAT MR. BOOTHBY HAD FINANCIAL INTERESTS IN ONE LARGE CLAIM.

This appeared, Mr. Churchill added, to be inconsistent with the statement which Mr. Boothby had made to the former Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Mr. Boothby Concurs

Mr. Boothby, said Mr. Churchill in conclusion, had concurred to the course proposed and had willingly submitted himself to the committee which he would assist in every way.

"I do not consider it fitting at this stage to call for Mr. Boothby's resignation from the office which he holds with distinction in the Government, as this might appear in the eyes of the public to prejudice the issue," declared Mr. Churchill. — Reuter.

BULGARIA FALLING

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The German Scientific Institute was officially inaugurated at a ceremony held in the Bulgarian capital yesterday.

The ceremony took place at the University of Sofia and was attended by the Nazi Education Minister, Dr. Bernhard Rust, the Bulgarian Premier, M. Bogdan Filoff, and members of the Bulgarian Government. — Havas.

Pleading guilty to possession of three revolvers, two rifles and two hand grenades, Wu Sang was this morning sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment by Sir Atholl MacGregor.

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YACHT CLUB WATER FAMINE HITS JAPAN'S POWER SUPPLY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

A shortage of water, causing a drop in power output, caused some confusion in Tokyo yesterday, says the "Nichi-Nichi."

Owing to the dry weather, which is expected to last until the end of the year, says the "Asahi," electric power consumption throughout Japan will be restricted. Already large concerns have been requested to slow down consumption.

Leading power producers will voluntarily reduce their own power consumption as well as cut down on supplies of electricity to factories. — Havas.

2,500 REPLIES TO U.S. WARNING

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

While about three thousand circulars have been mailed to Americans by the U.S. Consulate-General in Shanghai, advising them to evacuate, approximately 2,500 replies have been received says the "Evening Post and Mercury." The paper says further circulars will be mailed shortly. — Havas.

CHARGE D'AFFAIRES RECALLED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Mr. Alexander Kirk, United States charge d'affaires in Berlin, left Lisbon on board the Clipper

for New York yesterday. Mr. Kirk has been called back to Washington "for consultations." He was placed in charge of the U.S. Embassy in Berlin following the recall of the Ambassador, Mr. Hugh Wilson, in November, 1938. — Havas.

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